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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN

OF THE

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS

OF THE

TOWN OF COHASSET,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1885,

INCLUDING THE REPORTS OF THE

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR, TREASURER, TOWN CLERK, SCHOOL COMMITTEE, AND TREASURER OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE,

WITH A

LIST OF MARRIAGES, BIRTHS AND DEATHS.

Also, the Doings at the Several Town Meetings,

REPORT OF THE VOTES CAST AT THE STATE ELECTION IN NOVEMBER, 1885,

AND THE

Reports of the Treasurer and Trustees of the Public Library.

COHASSET:
PRESS OF COHASSET COTTAGER.
1886.

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OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1885-86.

Town Clerk, NEWCOMB B. TOWER.

Selectmen and Assessors.

J. Q. A. LOTHROP, . . . Term expires March 1, 1888.
PHILANDER BATES, . . " " March 1, 1887.
CALEB F. NICHOLS, . . . " " March 1, 1886.

Overseers of the Poor.

J. Q. A. LOTHROP, . . . Term expires March 1, 1888.
HORATIO G. PRATT, . . " " March 1, 1887.
CALEB F. NICHOLS, . . . " " March 1, 1886.

Treasurer and Collector of Taxes, ABRAHAM H. TOWER.

Highway Surveyors.

JAMES PETTEE, SAMUEL E. PRATT, THOMAS BATES, AMOS E. TILDEN, EBEN JAMES.

* *Superintendent of Schools*, REV. JOSEPH OSGOOD.

School Committee.

REV. JOHN W. SAVAGE, . . . Term expires March 1, 1888.
JAMES B. HARVEY, M. D., . " " March 1, 1887.
LOUIS T. CUSHING, ESQ., . . " " March 1, 1886.

Constables.

EDWARD E. WENTWORTH, ISRAEL C. VINAL, JOHN ROCHE, JR.,
JOHN E. GROCE, A. BRADFORD LITCHFIELD.

Fence Viewers.

J. FOSTER DOANE, WILLIAM T. TILDEN, L. WEBSTER BATES.

Field Drivers.

BENJAMIN H. CRANE, WILLIAM W. APTS, † HARRY W. SOUTHER,
HENRY T. P. BATES, ABRAHAM H. TOWER, JR.

Surveyors of Lumber.

† WILLIAM A. W. TILDEN, ABRAHAM H. TOWER, JR.

Measurers of Wood and Bark.

WALDO C. LOCKE, MORGAN B. STETSON, LEVI L. WORRICK.

Culler of Hoops and Staves, NATHANIEL W. TREAT.

Pound Keeper, ISAAC H. YOUNG.

Trustees of Public Library.

MRS. A. H. TOWER, . . . Term expires April 1, 1888.
MRS. SARAH E. BEAL, . . " " "
JOHN W. BATES, ... " " "
REV. JOSEPH OSGOOD, . " " April 1, 1887.
MISS SARAH S. PRATT, . " " "
MISS EDITH M. BATES, . " " "
EDWARD E. ELLMS, . . " " April 1, 1886.
LOUIS T. CUSHING, ESQ., " " "
ABRAHAM H. TOWER, . " " "

‡ *Fire Wards.*

ZACCHEUS RICH, EDWARD E. WENTWORTH, SAMUEL E. PRATT,
ALDEN BEAL.

‡ *Sealer of Weights and Measures*, ALLEN C. BATES.

‡ *Undertaker*, ZACCHEUS RICH.

‡ *Weigher of Coal*, WINFIELD L. CREED.

‡ *Auctioneers.*

LOUIS N. LINCOLN, J. Q. A. LOTHROP, AARON PRATT, JAMES S. BEAL.

‡ *Registrars of Voters.*

CHARLES F. TILDEN, Term expires May 1, 1888.
JOHN M. DAMON, " " May 1, 1887.
C. JAMES PRATT, " " May 1, 1886.
NEWCOMB B. TOWER, Town Clerk, *Ex-Officio*.

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* Appointed by the School Committee. † Not sworn into office.
‡ Appointed by the Selectmen.

EXTRACTS FROM THE TOWN RECORDS.

At the Annual Meeting of the Town of Cohasset, held March 2, 1885, J. Q. A. Lothrop, Esq., Moderator,

It was voted that the sum of twenty-four thousand dollars ($24,000) be appropriated during the current year, as follows:—

For Payment of Debt,	$2,000
" Interest,	1,200
Discount on Taxes,	1,000
Support of the Poor,	5,000
" Schools,	5,700
Repairs of School-houses and Salaries of Superintendent of Schools and Treasurer of School Committee,	1,000
Removing Snow,	500
Watering Jerusalem Road,	400
Repairs of Highways, and for Special Repairs,—the latter to be under the direction of the Selectmen,	4,500
Town Officers,	1,000
Printing,	200
Fire Department,	500
Public Library,	400
Miscellaneous,	500
Decoration Day,	100
Total,	$24,000

It was voted that the sum of seventeen thousand dollars ($17,000) be raised by taxation the current year.

It was voted that the Treasurer be authorized to hire money with the approval of the Selectmen, in anticipation of the taxes, and to pay State and Military Aid.

It was voted that the taxes be collected the current year in the same manner as last year; and the same discounts (five per cent.

on all taxes voluntarily paid in to the Treasurer and Collector on or before the first day of September next, and two per cent. on such paid on or before the tenth day of November next) be allowed as then. And all taxes remaining unpaid on the tenth day of January, 1886, shall be considered delinquent and subject to collection according to law.

It was voted that the Report of the Selectmen on Guide-boards be accepted.

It was voted that the List of Jurors be as follows:—

Frank P. Appleton,
Rufus Bates,
Herbert O. Beale,
John Bryant,
George W. Cousens,
Edward E. Ellms,
John E. Groce,
Samuel L. James,
Thomas Lincoln,
J. Q. A. Lothrop,
A. Bradford Litchfield,
Charles H. Willard,
Samuel E. Pratt,
Daniel W. Pratt,
Ziba C. Small,
Andrew J. Souther,
Willie F. Thayer,
Levi L. Worrick,
Edwin Bates,
Joseph S. Bigelow,
Walter S. Beal,
George H. Briggs,
Orlando Curtis,
Stephen D. Farrar,
Jesse C. Hayden,
Charles L. Kittrell,
Caleb Lincoln,
Joseph W. Litchfield,
Waldo C. Locke,
Levi L. Nichols,
Aaron Pratt,
C. James Pratt,
Morgan B. Stetson,
Daniel N. Tower,
Israel C. Vinal.

It was voted that the Selectmen cause the Financial Report to be printed and distributed in the month of February next.

It was voted, by a vote of 113 in the affirmative and 127 in the negative, not to accept the report of the Selectmen in laying out a new road from Jerusalem road over Beach Island to Beach street.

It was voted that a committee of seven be chosen to act with the Selectmen, and, if possible, report upon a more satisfactory location for the above proposed new road. The following persons were chosen:

COMMITTEE ON NEW ROAD.

The Selectmen,	Grenville T. W. Braman,
Louis T. Cushing,	Samuel Nichols,
Charles F. Tilden,	Daniel N. Tower,
Asa P. Potter,	John Bryant.

It was voted that the matter of the improvement of the pond on the Common be left with the Selectmen.

It was voted that the matter of building a new sidewalk on Margin St. from Thomas T. Spear's house to the house of Charles P. Bourne, be referred to the Selectmen.

It was voted that the Town will not instruct the Selectmen to issue licenses for the use of pool-tables in town.

It was voted that the matter of improving Border street be referred to the Selectmen.

It was voted "yes" 94, and "no" 96 upon the question, "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in town the current year, in accordance with Chapter 100 of the Public Statutes?

It was voted that the compensation of the Collector of Taxes be two hundred dollars—the same as last year.

It was voted that the report of the Committee upon the proposed improvements upon the Town House—wherein they report nothing done, and wherein they ask to be released from further service—be accepted.

It was voted that the matter of improving the sidewalk on Beechwood street, between the houses of John H. Morgan and L. Webster Bates, and houses of John J. A. Pratt and heirs of Edward Kinsley, and the removal of ledge on Church street, near the Beechwood Post-office, be referred to the Selectmen.

It was voted that the Moderator appoint a Committee of five persons to confer with a Committee from the Grand Army, in relation to the erection of a monument to the memory of the soldiers and sailors who died in the last war, and report to the Town at a future meeting.

The Moderator appointed the following persons, in behalf of the Town, as a

COMMITTEE ON SOLDIERS' MONUMENT.

Abraham H. Tower,	Alfred Beal,
Aaron Pratt,	Joseph S. Bigelow.
Caleb F. Nichols,	

It was voted that the Selectmen be instructed to purchase a Road Machine for the use of the Town.

It was voted that the matter of the removal of ledges on Beach street be referred to the Selectmen.

It was voted that the following named persons constitute a

COMMITTEE ON FLOOD GATES AT GULF MILL.

The Selectmen,	Daniel N. Tower,
John Bryant,	Louis T. Cushing.

It was voted that the matter of cleaning out James river be referred to the Selectmen.

It was voted that the following persons constitute a

COMMITTEE ON THE PURCHASE OF SANDY BEACH.

The Selectmen,

Louis T. Cushing, Louis N. Lincoln,

and that they report to the Town as soon as practicable.

It was voted that the matter of improvements upon Pleasant street be referred to the Selectmen.

It was voted that the matter of improvements upon Winter street, between the railroad and the house of Elisha Lincoln, be referred to the Selectmen.

It was voted that the customary vote of thanks be tendered to the Moderator, etc.

At about 4 o'clock, P. M., the meeting was dissolved.

ELECTION RECORD.

NOVEMBER 3, 1885.

FOR GOVERNOR.

Whole number of votes, 241.

George D. Robinson, of Chicopee,	177
Frederick O. Prince, of Boston,	59
Thomas J. Lothrop, of Taunton,	5

For Lieutenant Governor.

Whole number of votes, 241.

Oliver Ames, of Easton,	178
Henry H. Gilmore, of Cambridge,	58
Charles B. Knight, of Worcester,	5

For Secretary of State.

Whole number of votes, 241.

Henry B. Peirce, of Abington,	178
Jeremiah Crowley, of Lowell,	58
George Kempton, of Sharon,	5

For Treasurer and Receiver General.

Whole number of votes, 241.

Alanson W. Beard, of Boston,	178
Henry M. Cross, of Newburyport,	58
Claudius B. Travis, of Natick,	5

For Auditor.

Whole number of votes, 241.

Charles R. Ladd, of Springfield,	178
James C. Delany, of Holyoke,	58
William W. Sherman, of Lowell,	5

For Attorney General.

Whole number of votes, 241.

Edgar J. Sherman, of Lawrence,	178
Henry K. Braley, of Fall River,	58
Samuel M. Fairfield, of Malden,	5

For Councillor. — District No. 1.

Whole number of votes, 241.

Jonathan Bourne, of New Bedford,	178
Philander Cobb, of Kingston,	58
Edward W. Hyde, of Middleborough,	5

For County Commissioner.

Whole number of votes, 241.

Jabez Talbot, of Stoughton,	178
William A. Hodges, of Quincy,	58
Freeman Phillips, of Wellesley,	5

For Register of Deeds.

Whole number of votes, 241.

John H. Burdakin, of Dedham,	236
Caleb A. Stevens, of Foxborough,	5

For Sheriff. — To fill a vacancy.

Whole number of votes, 241.

Augustus B. Endicott, of Dedham,	236
Hubbard M. Bullock, of Franklin,	5

For County Treasurer.

Whole number of votes, 241.

Chauncey C. Churchill, of Dedham,	178
Thomas Lonergan, of Canton,	58
Charles L. Smith, of Norwood,	5

For Senator. — Second Plymouth District.

Whole number of votes, 241.

John J. Whipple, of Brockton,	178
William L. Douglas, of Brockton,	58
Walter D. Packard, of Brockton,	5

For Representative to General Court.

Second Plymouth District.

Whole number of votes, 241.

Alfred A. Seaverns, of Scituate,	183
John J. Ford, of Scituate,	53
John H. Young, of Scituate,	5

Amendment to the Constitution.

(Whereby more than one voting place may be established in a town.)

Whole number of votes, 158.

Yes,	157
No,	1

The vote of the Second Plymouth Representative District, for Representative to the General Court, Nov. 3, 1885, was as follows:

	Scituate.	So. Scituate.	Cohasset.	Total.
Alfred A. Seaverns, of Scituate,	148	109	183	440
John J. Ford, " "	155	86	53	294
John H. Young, " "	27	7	5	39

Alfred A. Seaverns, of Scituate, having a plurality of the votes of the District, was elected.

DOGS LICENSED DURING 1885.

Male,	105
Female,	7
Total,	112
Number of Enrolled Militia, May 1, 1885,	303

N. B. TOWER, *Town Clerk.*

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

The Librarian of the Cohasset Free Public Library respectfully submits her annual report.

The Library has been open every library day during the year, with one exception. During that time the number of books taken out was 10,775; the largest delivery being on January 31st, of 190 books; the smallest, April 29th, 43. There are registered to date 1017 borrowers.

Number of books added the past year: by donation, 38 volumes, 2 pamphlets; by purchase, 132; by binding, 22. Number of books in the Library, 3703 volumes, 58 pamphlets.

Gifts of books have been received from Mr. Lyman Hollingsworth, Miss K. H. Holden, Town of Hingham, State and Government.

Classification of reading the past year:

History and Biography,	474
Travels and Geography,	446
Religion and Temperance,	50
Science and Art,	62
Fiction and Juveniles,	8,243
Literature and Poetry,	146
Agriculture and Horticulture,	38
Magazines,	1,316
	10,775

EDITH M. BATES, *Librarian.*

COHASSET, Jan. 4th, 1886.

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees, held this day, the reports of the Librarian and Treasurer were presented and accepted, and it was voted to ask the Town to appropriate the sum of $400 for the Library the coming year.

EDITH M. BATES, *Secretary.*

DR. COHASSET FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY in Account Current with JOHN W. BATES, Treasurer. CR.

1885.		1885.	
To Balance of account current, Dec. 31, 1884,	$13 13	By Cash received from Town Appropriation,	$400 00
To Cash paid for Books,	161 33	" " " three out-town borrowers,	3 00
" " for Oil,	1 60	" " " Miss S. Pratt, Ann'l Sub.,	1 00
" " for Express,	8 10	" " " Levi Tower, Jr., Donation,	5 00
" " for Paper,	6 75	" " " Fines,	28 02
" " for Cards,	5 50	" " " Cards,	7 45
" " for Cleaning,	9 18	" " " Catalogues,	1 15
" " for Tacks,	20		
" " for Binding,	43 25		
" " for Fire Extinguisher,	2 00		
" " for Printing Postals,	60		
" " for Librarian,	150 00		
" " for Magazines,	40 00		
Balance due Library,	3 98		
	$445 62		$445 62

COHASSET, DECEMBER 31, 1885.

JOHN W. BATES, *Treasurer.*

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN.

THE FOLLOWING IS THE ACCOUNT OF THE EXPENDITURES OF THE TOWN OF COHASSET FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1885, AND THE FINANCIAL CONDITION, SAME DATE.

Proposed Beach Island Road.

Paid William A. Norton, estimation on bridge,	$42 00	
Daniel N. Tower, surveying, etc.,	53 75	
Adeline A. Wilkins, entertaining committee of the legislature,	26 25	
Peter C. Kimball, entertaining committee of the legislature,	72 00	
C. F. B. Tilden, horse hire, committee of the legislature,	9 55	
Amos E. Tilden, horse hire, committee of the legislature,	32 50	
J. Q. A. Lothrop, services and expenses at hearings before the committee of the legislature,	32 65	
Philander Bates, services and expenses at hearings before the committee of the legislature,	24 64	
Caleb F. Nichols, services and expenses at hearings before the committee of the legislature,	18 00	
		$311 34

No appropriation.

Meeting-House Pond.

Paid Amos E. Tilden, men and teams,	$54 92	
Thomas Bates and team,	28 00	
Thomas L. Bates, "	21 00	
Galen James, "	19 25	
Manuel S. Leonard, "	17 50	
William O. Souther, "	8 75	
George W. Mealy, "	28 00	
John Mulcahy, labor,	14 00	
James O'Brien, "	21 00	
John O'Brien, "	8 75	
Daniel M. Ryan, "	21 88	
Fred G. James, "	9 00	
Willie Campbell, "	9 00	
Joseph Anderson, "	5 25	
Manuel F. Gracia, "	6 13	
Joseph Gracia, "	6 13	
Thomas S. Gracia, "	6 13	
Antone Sidney, "	8 75	
John E. Francis, "	8 75	
Frank Silva, "	6 13	
Frank Pearson, "	7 00	
John Ney, "	5 25	
Joseph E. Francis, "	1 75	
Arthur Studley, "	2 50	
Thomas Reidy, "	1 75	
Enos F. Frates, "	88	
George M. Ennice, "	14 00	
Manuel Silva, "	5 25	
Samuel Bates, use of pump, etc.,	10 05	
Philander Bates, services and expenses,	27 00	
Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber and drain pipe,	11 66	
		$395 41

No appropriation.

Removing Snow from Streets and Sidewalks.

Paid Levi L. Worrick, and others, . .	$22 50	
C. F. B. Tilden, " . .	60 00	
Samuel E. Pratt, " . .	26 75	
Amos E. Tilden, " . .	24 50	
William O. Souther, " . .	12 00	
Alden Beal, " . .	22 50	
Charles F. Tilden, repairs on plough, .	10 00	
		$178 25

Repairs on Highways.

SAMUEL E. PRATT, Surveyor.

Paid Samuel E. Pratt, and team, . .	$85 52	
W. W. Bates, " . . .	17 25	
Franklin Stoddard, " . . .	10 50	
Edwin Bates, " . . .	15 75	
George W. Pratt, " . . .	12 25	
Ira B. Pratt, " . . .	11 00	
Oliver H. Bates, " . . .	11 00	
Horace J. Damon, " . . .	11 87	
Levi Lincoln, " . . .	9 62	
Joseph W. Litchfield, " . . .	6 87	
Horatio G. Pratt, " . . .	8 75	
John W. Bates, 2d, " . . .	5 25	
Manuel Silva, " . . .	8 00	
Ezekiel Bates, " . . .	11 00	
George W. Mealy, " . . .	14 50	
Wm. T. Whitcomb, " . . .	6 62	
Samuel Hardwick, " . . .	11 25	
Thomas Williams, " . . .	11 85	
George F. Sargent, labor, . .	10 63	
Orlando Curtis, " . . .	11 38	
Benj. H. Crane, " . . .	2 62	
Henry Morris, " . . .	10 63	
Edward W. Bates, " . . .	5 80	
L. L. Wheelwright, Jr., " . . .	5 25	
Hiram C. Litchfield, " . . .	11 25	
Harvey Morris, " . . .	10 63	
Amount carried forward, ...	$337 04	

Amount brought forward,		$337 04	
Paid Foster Litchfield,	labor,	11 90	
Alden Damon,	"	2 62	
A. Bradford Litchfield,	"	2 62	
Thomas Kinsley,	"	2 62	
Cyrus Litchfield,	"	3 50	
Abraham Antone,	"	2 62	
George Antone,	"	2 62	
Charles E. Smith,	"	2 62	
Asahel F. Nott,	"	2 62	
Isaiah Lincoln, labor and gravel,		17 22	
Aaron Pratt, gravel,		12 00	
Oliver Whyte & Co., screen,		8 75	
			$408 70

EBEN JAMES, Surveyor.

Paid Eben James, and team,		$78 53	
Galen James,	"	75 87	
Ezekiel L. James,	"	3 75	
Waldo C. Locke,	"	11 37	
Wm. O. Souther,	"	11 50	
Samuel Nichols,	"	5 62	
Samuel G. James,	"	5 75	
Samuel E. Pratt,	"	2 75	
Oliver H. Bates,	"	2 75	
Fred G. James,	labor,	23 25	
Harry W. Burbank,	"	7 50	
John E. Kinsley,	"	4 37	
Clarence L. Couilard,	"	75	
John Ney,	"	25 84	
John Souther,	gravel,	3 00	
Waldo C. Locke,	"	9 38	
Gross & Nichols, rendrock,		3 02	
			$275 00

JAMES PETTEE, Surveyor.

Paid James Pettee, and team,		$123 27	
Alden Beal,	"	98 00	
James P. Anderson,	"	27 12	
William Mulvey,	"	5 37	
C. F. B. Tilden,	"	7 00	
Amount carried forward,		$260 76	

Amount brought forward, ...	$260 76	
Paid Thomas Reidy, labor, . . .	84 87	
Daniel W. Reidy, " . . .	15 75	
Abner N. Bates, " . . .	15 35	
Joseph F. Priest, " . . .	38 50	
Hosea Cushing, " . . .	15 30	
Walter S. Beal, " . . .	14 27	
McCuin & Davis, gravel screen, .	8 75	
Caleb F. Nichols, gravel, . . .	17 50	
Thomas Roche, sharpening tools, .	3 95	
		$475 00

THOMAS BATES, Surveyor.

Paid Thomas Bates, and team, . .	$126 48	
C. F. B. Tilden, " . .	33 38	
John Bates, 2d, " . .	44 50	
Alonzo L. Palmer, " . .	20 00	
Thomas L. Bates, " . .	14 75	
William Mulvey, " . .	10 50	
Eugene Sweeney, labor, . .	26 25	
John Barnes, " . .	26 25	
Jessie T. Barnes, " . .	10 50	
Samuel N. Thayer, " . .	10 50	
John R. Colbrith, " . .	10 00	
John Dowdy, " . .	6 12	
John Mulcahy, " . .	6 12	
Thomas Roche, sharpening, . .	1 75	
Willie Campbell, labor, . .	35 50	
Edward E. Tower, gravel, . .	22 00	
Thomas Bates, " . .	9 20	
George T. Morey, " . .	7 80	
Tower, Bro. & Co., drain pipe, . .	2 40	
		$425 00

AMOS E. TILDEN, Surveyor.

Paid Amos E. Tilden, men and teams, .	$109 50	
Joseph Jason and teams, . .	30 75	
Manuel S. Leonard, " . .	22 75	
George W. Mealy, " . .	21 50	
Edwin Bates, " . .	5 50	
Amount carried forward, ...	$190 00	

Amount brought forward, ...	$190 00	
Paid John Howard, labor, . . .	45 50	
Antone L. Joseph, " . . .	21 00	
William Enos, " . . .	21 87	
George M. Ennice, " . . .	40 25	
Wm. J. Brennock, " . . .	40 26	
Manuel Silva, 2d, " . . .	36 75	
George E. Stetson, " . . .	6 13	
Geo. W. Cousens, " . . .	5 25	
Antone Sidney, " . . .	23 63	
Gross & Nichols, gravel screen, .	10 00	
Edward E. Tower, gravel and stone, .	29 99	
		$470 63

Special Repairs on Highways, under Supervision of the Selectmen.

SAMUEL E. PRATT, Surveyor.

On Church and Beechwood Streets.

Paid Samuel E. Pratt, and team, . .	$51 78	
Edwin Bates, " . . .	17 00	
Frank W. Wheelwright, " . .	10 50	
Willie W. Bates, " . .	12 37	
Horace J. Damon, " . .	10 50	
Orlando Curtis, " . .	7 00	
Thomas Williams, " . .	5 25	
Levi Lincoln, " . .	5 25	
Frank Stoddard, " . .	13 31	
John W. Bates, 2d, " . .	5 25	
Oliver H. Bates, " . .	5 50	
Caleb Lincoln, " . .	7 25	
Elmer E. Bates, " . .	3 50	
William T. Whitcomb, " . .	3 50	
George Antone, labor, . .	7 00	
A. Bradford Litchfield, " . .	4 37	
William W. Apts, " . .	3 50	
Edwin W. Bates, " . .	1 75	
Charles E. Smith, " . .	7 00	
Harvey Morris, " . .	3 50	
Frank Frates, " . .	4 37	
Joseph Grace, " . .	1 75	
Thomas Kinsley, " . .	2 62	
Aaron Pratt, gravel, . . .	6 18	
		$200 00

On Doane Street.

Paid Samuel E. Pratt, and team, . .	$13 00	
William T. Whitcomb, " . .	7 00	
Isaiah Lincoln, " . .	5 25	
Andrew J. Arnold, labor, . .	5 25	
Joseph J. Silva, " . .	1 75	
Frank Frates, " . .	4 50	
Abraham Antone, " . .	1 75	
Joseph Grace, " . .	3 50	
Isaiah Lincoln, gravel, ...	8 00	
		$50 00

THOMAS BATES, Surveyor.

Sidewalk on Pleasant St.

Paid Thomas Bates, and others, . . .	$50 00	
		$50 00

On Beach Street, Blasting Ledges.

Paid Thomas Bates, and team, . . .	$13 65	
John N. Cook, labor, . . .	28 50	
Jesse T. Barnes, " . . .	31 50	
Eugene Sweeney, " . . .	27 55	
Willie Campbell, " . . .	5 50	
Gross & Nichols rendrock, . .	13 35	
Charles F. Tilden, sharpening drills, .	4 70	
Thomas Roche, " " .	25	
		$125 00

On North Main Street—Great Swamp.

Paid Thomas Bates, labor, . . .	$8 00	
John Bates, 2d, " . . .	6 00	
Willie Campbell, " . . .	6 00	
		$20 00

On Pleasant Street—Blasting Rock.

Paid Thomas Bates, labor and team, .	$9 75	
John N. Cook, " .	5 00	
Jesse T. Barnes, " .	4 37	
Willie Campbell, " .	3 00	
Gross & Nichols, rendrock, .	1 78	
Charles F. Tilden, sharpening drills,	80	
Thomas Roche, " "	30	
		$25 00

EBEN JAMES, Surveyor.

Sidewalk on Winter Street.

Paid Eben James and team,		$34 14	
Galen James " "		21 00	
Fred G. James,	labor,	14 87	
Samuel Nichols,	"	17 25	
John Ney,	"	4 37	
Henry White,	"	6 87	
Fred L. Lincoln,	"	1 50	
			$100 00

JAMES PETTEE, Surveyor.

On Jerusalem Road and Cedar Street.

Paid James Pettee and team,		$102 46	
Thomas Reidy,	labor,	67 36	
Frank Antone,	"	22 75	
Walter S. Beal,	"	22 00	
Joseph F. Priest,	"	22 32	
Abner N. Bates,	"	16 62	
William Mulvey,	"	2 50	
John N. Cook,	"	2 62	
Thomas Gracia,	"	1 75	
John H. Cook,	"	1 00	
Peter L. Battles,	"	25	
Richard H. Priest, team and gravel,		9 00	
Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber,		1 33	
James Cushing, use of derrick,		10 00	
Frank M. Nichols, sharpening tools,		65	
Caleb F. Nichols, gravel,		1 37	
Henry M. Whitney, gravel,		36 72	
			$320 70

AMOS E. TILDEN, Surveyor.

Sidewalk on Margin Street.

Paid Amos E. Tilden, men and teams,		$43 00	
Joseph Jason,	" "	22 75	
George W. Mealy, and	"	25 25	
Manuel S. Leonard,	" "	22 75	
John Howard,	labor,	12 25	
Amount carried forward,		$126 00	

Amount brought forward, ...	$126 00	
Paid William J. Brennock, labor, . .	12 38	
George W. Cousens, " . .	8 75	
George M. Ennice, " . .	16 29	
Manuel Silver, 2d, " . .	13 13	
William Enos, " . .	8 75	
Antone L. Joseph, " . .	8 75	
Joseph Fratus, " . .	8 75	
Antone Sidney, " . .	6 13	
Amos E. Tilden, gravel, . .	11 00	
Edward E. Tower, " and stones, .	14 87	
Enos F. Fratus, stones, . .	1 20	
Thomas Reidy, " . .	2 10	
Julia F. Henry, " . .	50	
W. A. W. Tilden, on railing and labor,	56 80	
Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber and posts,	57 87	
		$353 27

On Border Street.

Paid Amos E. Tilden, men and teams, .	$30 60	
Joseph Jason, teams and stones, .	31 68	
Manuel S. Leonard, and team, .	28 88	
John Howard, labor, . . .	18 35	
William J. Brennock, labor, . .	21 25	
Antone Sidney, " . .	13 57	
Manuel Silva, 2d, " . .	15 32	
George W. Cousens, " . .	8 32	
William Enos, " . .	7 44	
Edward E. Tower, stones, . .	2 80	
O. E. Madden, " . .	13 20	
		$191 41

Selectmen as Surveyors.

Paid Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber, Mill Bridge,	$175 98	
William A. W. Tilden, labor, " .	46 75	
Michael N. Brennock, " " .	17 50	
Amos E. Tilden and teams, . .	7 50	
John Howard, labor, . .	1 32	
William J. Brennock, " . .	1 75	
Manuel S. Leonard, " . .	88	
James Damon, " . .	1 50	
Amount carried forward, ...	$253 18	

Amount brought forward,		$253 18
Paid John N. Cook,	labor at Steep rocks,	$10 37
Andrew H. Prouty,	" Pleasant St.,	10 00
John L. Pratt,	" road machine,	19 00
William Leonard,	blasting, Jerusalem Road,	82 68
Leroy Mott,	labor and stock, Mill Bridge,	5 00
John C. Howe *et al.*,	on King Street,	100 00
Charles F. Tilden,	smithing,	39 88
Edward W. Bates,	labor in 1883,	7 03
Gross & Nichols,	rendrock, etc.,	6 78
George Tyler,	road machine,	215 00
Amos E. Tilden,	paid freight road machine,	1 80
Samuel Bates,	oil road machine,	70
Manuel Gracia,	labor, So. Main St.,	12 00
Thomas Gracia.	" "	14 00
Daniel M. Ryan,	" "	5 25
William Enos,	" "	5 25
Antone Sidney,	" "	7 00
Manuel Olivier,	" "	7 00
Amos E. Tilden,	men and teams, So. Main Street,	34 72
Manuel S. Leonard,	men and team, So. Main Street,	12 25
Edward E. Tower,	gravel, So. Main St.,	10 22
Charles A. Gross,	covering stone, So. Main Street,	3 00
W. A. W. Tilden,	labor on railing, So. Main Street,	25 00
W. A. W. Tilden,	posts for railing, So. Main Street,	10 85
Daniel W. Pratt,	painting and stock, So. Main Street,	18 22
Tower, Bro. & Co.,	lumber, highway, So. Main Street,	77 20
William Minot,	rent of shop,	10 00
Charles V. Barnes,	labor, No. Main St.,	5 00
Amount carried forward,		$755 20

Amount brought forward, . . .	$755 20	
Paid Amos E. Tilden, Lincoln's hill, So. Main Street, ...	6 50	
Daniel M. Ryan, labor, Border St., .	1 75	
Amos E. Tilden, " Margin St., .	1 50	
Alfred Beal, tending gate, etc., Strait's Pond, ...	75 50	
Amos E. Tilden, horse hire, Strait's Pond, ...	4 50	
J. Q. A. Lothrop, services on special repairs, ...	25 00	
Philander Bates, services on special repairs, ...	15 00	
Caleb F. Nichols, services on special repairs, ...	25 00	
		$1,163 13
Amount appropriated for highways, . .		$4,500 00
" " " snow, . .		500 00
Total, "		$5,000 00
Amount expended for highways, . .	$4,652 84	
" " " removing snow, . .	178 25	
Total "	$4,831 09	
Amount unexpended, ...	168 91	
		$5,000 00

Fire Department.

Fire Engine.

Paid William W. Studley, steward, to Nov. 1, 1885, ...	$30 00	
Thirty-one Firemen, poll-taxes, . .	62 00	
Lincoln Brothers, wood and coal, .	4 50	
Samuel Bates, oil and funnel, . .	4 08	
C. F. B. Tilden, horses to fire, . .	3 00	
		$103 58

HOOK AND LADDER.

Paid George Jason, steward,	$20 00	
Thirteen men, poll-taxes,	26 00	
Thomas D. Blossom, labor,	3 75	
Samuel Bates, oil, funnel, etc.,	3 95	
Gross & Nichols, crockery, etc.,	43 74	
Amos E. Tilden, horses to fire,	2 00	
W. S. Dunbar, lamp chimneys, etc.,	1 03	
Tower, Bro. & Co., wood, coal and lumber,	9 40	
		$109 87

HOSE CARRIAGE ON JERUSALEM ROAD.

Paid Hingham Water Company,	$100 00	
Three Hosemen, poll-taxes,	6 00	
James S. Beal, rent,	10 00	
James S. Beal, labor on hydrant,	3 00	
		$119 00
Fire Engine,	$103 58	
Hook and Ladder,	109 87	
Hose Carriage,	119 00	
		$332 45
Amount unexpended,		167 55
		$500 00
Amount appropriated,		500 00

Watering Streets.

Paid Alden Beal, watering,	$300 00	
Charles S. Bates, watering,	375 00	
Hingham Water Company, water and stand pipes,	75 00	
Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber for building,	140 20	
W. A. W. Tilden, labor on building,	107 87	
Daniel W. Pratt, painting,	27 14	
Amos E. Tilden, teaming,	14 00	
C. F. B. Tilden, "	12 25	
Charles F. Tilden, smithing,	1 25	
Amount carried forward,	$1,052 71	

Amount brought forward,	$1,052 71	
Paid J. Q. A. Lothrop, services,	10 00	
Philander Bates, "	5 00	
Caleb F. Nichols, "	5 00	
		$1,072 71
Amount appropriated,		400 00
Exceeded appropriation,		672 71
		$1,072 71

which amount was drawn from the amount received from Banks and Corporation Taxes.

Printing.

Paid Cohasset Cottager, for reports,	$150 00	
Cohasset Cottager, for notices,	68 87	
		$218 87
Amount appropriated,		200 00
Exceeded appropriation,		18 87

School Appropriation.

Paid Caleb Lothrop, treasurer,	$6,700 00	
Caleb Lothrop, school books,	500 00	
		$7,200 00

See Treasurer of School Committee's report.

Public Library.

Paid John W. Bates, Treasurer,	$400 00
Amount Appropriated,	400 00

Henry Bryant Post, G. A. R.

Paid William F. Thayer, Quartermaster,	$100 00
Amount appropriated,	100 00

State and County Taxes.

Paid State Tax,	$2,715 00	
County "	1,928 95	
		$4,643 95

Town Hall.

Paid Lincoln Brothers, wood and coal,	$6 25	
Daniel W. Pratt, labor and stock, painting,	98 47	
Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber,	40 49	
W. A. W. Tilden, labor and stock,	46 87	
Bela Stoddard, whitewashing,	13 50	
Alexander W. Hayden, "	10 65	
Samuel Bates, stoves, &c.,	20 37	
Mrs. A. Thomas and D. Rooney, cleaning,	37 96	
A. W. Dunbar, Fire Extinguishers,	6 00	
Edward Nichols, plans, &c.,	46 45	
Gross & Nichols, paint and oil,	5 71	
Amos E. Tilden, teaming,	1 00	
		$333 72

No appropriation.

Abatement of Taxes.

Abated from tax of 1880,	$2 21	
" " " " 1881,	1 28	
" " " " 1882,	1 12	
" " " " 1883,	47 42	
" " " " 1884,	59 71	
" " " " 1885,	69 57	
		$181 31

Estate of Martin Beal *vs.* Town of Cohasset.

Paid Quincy Bicknell, services and expenses,	$91 50	
Hyde, Dickinson & Howe, costs of court,	121 74	
Robert Gould, services and expenses,	22 00	
James S. Beal, tending gate,	7 00	
W. C. Curtis, entertaining jury,	4 75	
J. Q. A. Lothrop, services and expenses,	22 82	
		$269 81

No appropriation.

State and Military Aid.

Paid Ann M. Ripley,	$48 00	
Catherine Manuel,	48 00	
Hannah F. Arnold,	48 00	
Harriet J. Apts,	48 00	
Asahel F. Nott,	36 00	
George Arnold,	72 00	
Julia F. Henry,	48 00	
Joseph Munnies,	144 00	
James Rooney,	88 00	
Alfred Haskell,	94 00	
Isaac Phinney,	144 00	
Warren Newcomb,	72 00	
Stephen P. Lincoln,	38 00	
William F. Harris,	80 00	
Isaac H. Tower,	18 00	
		$1,026 00
Amount to be reimbursed by the State,		687 00
Amount paid by the town,		$339 00

No appropriation.

Interest and Discount.

Paid for Interest in 1885,	$1,090 29	
" Discount, "	929 73	
		$2,020 02
Amount appropriated for interest,	$1,200 00	
" " " discount,	1,000 00	
		$2,200 00

Town Officers.

Paid J. Q. A. Lothrop, services and expenses as Selectman and Assessor,	$216 90	
Philander Bates, " "	200 00	
Caleb F. Nichols, " "	200 00	
Abraham H. Tower, Treasurer and Collector,	200 00	
Amount carried forward,	$816 90	

Amount brought forward, ...	$816 90	
Paid Newcomb B. Tower, Town Clerk, .	35 00	
Allen C. Bates, Sealer of Weights and Measures, ...	50 00	
Edward E. Wentworth, Constable, .	30 00	
Israel C. Vinal, " .	21 00	
A. Bradford Litchfield, " .	30 00	
John E. Groce, " .	25 00	
John Roche, Jr., " .	25 00	
		$1,032 90
Amount appropriated, ...		1,000 00
Exceeded appropriation, ...		$32 90

Miscellaneous.

Paid Solomon J. Hayden, distributing Reports, ...	$4 00	
Mrs. Frank Pearson, for Mrs. Koop,	8 00	
Mrs. John Holland, " " .	10 00	
Caleb F. Nichols, " " .	3 02	
" " cleaning offices,	2 00	
" " services on State Aid, ...	5 00	
Caleb F. Nichols, fares for travellers,	1 10	
Joseph Smith, entertaining " .	6 50	
Andrew H. Prouty, special police, .	30 00	
James W. Holland, South Schoolhouse, '84, ...	7 12	
John W. Brennock *et al.*, flagstaff, .	5 00	
Tower, Bro. & Co., " .	2 40	
J. H. Burdakin, copies of Record, .	20 00	
Ann Thomas, cleaning office, . .	10 50	
C. F. B. Tilden, horse hire Selectmen,	11 50	
Edw. E. Wentworth, Board of Health,	14 00	
" " Fish ways, .	12 00	
Charles F. Tilden, repair of pump, .	1 50	
Samuel Bates, " " .	3 17	
Gross & Nichols, stationery and postage, ...	26 09	
Amount carried forward, ...	$182 90	

Amount brought forward, ...	$182 90	
Paid Gross & Nichols, sundries to Doane's pigs, ...	$3 38	
Beal's Express, ...	1 65	
Bela Stoddard, labor and stock on tomb, ...	3 75	
Herbert L. Brown, clothing for Taylor boy, ...	12 30	
A. Bradford Litchfield, re-burying bodies, ...	10 00	
Amos E. Tilden, horse hire Selectmen,	19 75	
" " " State Aid,	5 00	
" " " Assessors,	6 00	
" " " flag staff,	75	
Zaccheus Rich, return of deaths, .	6 25	
Chas. W. Sparrell, " " .	1 50	
Louis N. Lincoln, care of Hall, .	12 00	
" " lockup and tramps, ...	15 00	
G. P. Pratt, return of births, . .	6 25	
N. B. Tower, recording births & deaths,	41 18	
Charles F. Tilden, services as Registrar,	11 40	
John M. Damon, " "	11 40	
C. James Pratt, " "	11 40	
Newcomb B. Tower, " "	11 40	
G. A. R. Post, firing salute, .	19 50	
Newcomb Bates, ringing bell, etc., .	30 00	
Israel C. Vinal, watchman at Cove, .	12 00	
Philander Bates, repairs on pump, .	1 50	
" " record book, . .	1 00	
" " recording census, .	6 00	
		$443 26
Balance unexpended, ...		56 74
		$500 00
Amount appropriated, ...		500 00

Recapitulation.

To proposed Beach Island Road,	$311 34	
Meeting House Pond,	395 41	
Removing snow,	178 25	
Repairs of Highways,	4,652 84	
Fire Department,	332 45	
Watering streets,	1,072 71	
Public Library,	400 00	
G. A. R. Post,	100 00	
State and County tax,	4,643 95	
Town Hall,	333 72	
Abatements,	181 31	
Beal case,	269 81	
State and military aid,	1,026 00	
Interest and discount,	2,020 02	
Town officers,	1,032 90	
Miscellaneous,	443 26	
Overseers of the poor,	5,934 60	
School appropriation,	7,200 00	
Printing,	218 87	
		$30,747 44

Indebtedness of the Town.

JANUARY, 1886.

FUNDED DEBT. (Issue of May 1, 1876.)

Cohasset Savings Bank, 5 Notes due, in 1886, 1887, 1888, 1889, 1890,		$5,000 00

(Issue of April 15, 1878)

Ira B. Pratt,	Note due 1886,	$500 00	
W. W. Clapp,	" " 1886,	500 00	
Jas. W. Nichols,	" " 1887,	1,000 00	
W. W. Clapp,	" " 1888,	1,000 00	
W. W. Clapp,	" " 1889,	1,000 00	
W. W. Clapp,	" " 1890,	1,000 00	
			$5,000 00
Total funded debt,			$10,000 00

DEMAND NOTES.

Martha T. Bates,	$1,000 00	
A. H. Tower, trustee for Lothrop Heirs,	3,700 00	
		$4,700 00
Total interest bearing debt,		$14,700 00

ASSETS OF THE TOWN, DECEMBER 31, 1885.

Due from State, for State and Military Aid,	$687 00	
State, for State Paupers, . .	31 00	
James Dady, ...	179 02	
Mary J. Enos, ...	350 00	
Mary L. Mendoca estate . .	595 00	
Philip Minot estate, . . .	100 00	
Town of Hull, ...	15 62	
Mary O'Brien, ...	200 00	
Balance in Treasury, . .	2,691 94	
		$4,849 68
Amount of Interest Bearing Debt, 1885, .		16,700 00
Amount of Interest Bearing Debt, 1886, .		14,700 00
Reduction of Debt in 1885, . . .		$2,000 00
Amount of Interest Bearing Debt, . .		$14,700 00
Amount of Assets, ...		4,849 68
Amount of Actual Debt, Dec. 31, 1885, .		$9,850 32

Respectfully submitted,

J. Q. A. LOTHROP,
PHILANDER BATES,
CALEB F. NICHOLS,
Selectmen of Cohasset.

REPORT OF OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

For the Year ending December 31, 1885.

Stock on hand December 31, 1884,		$2,430 60
Paid Elmer E. Bates,	groceries, etc.,	262 90
Herbert L. Brown,	" "	161 82
Caleb F. Nichols,	" "	57 78
M. B. Stetson & Co.,	" "	149 06
Gross & Nichols,	" "	144 26
David B. Tower,	" "	21 83
W. S. Dunbar,	" "	244 13
Bogart & Covert,	" "	29 47
J. R. Ainslie & Co.,	grain,	65 80
George H. Briggs,	"	27 50
Bourne & Nickerson,	meats,	264 61
William F. Thayer,	"	121 55
Danforth Sylvester,	fish,	68 17
Antone Silva,	"	11 00
William O. Souther,	ice,	15 85
Philander Bates,	boots, shoes, etc.,	30 05
Caleb F. Nichols,	standing grass,	15 00
Abner Litchfield,	" "	19 00
John T. Otis,	" "	7 44
Langdon W. Cook,	clothing,	76 54
William O. Clapp,	salt grass,	4 00
Frank W. Browne,	medicine,	3 40
James St. John,	tailoring,	2 00
Katie McEchron,	wages,	56 15
Isaac H. Young,	salary,	300 00
Lincoln Ellms & Son,	seed potatoes,	8 50
Lincoln Brothers,	coal,	93 11
Bela Stoddard,	stock and labor,	19 57
Mary Reed,	wages,	78 00
Nancy Nichols,	"	9 00
Erving Way,	"	83 00
Amount carried forward,		$4,881 09

Amount brought forward, ...	$4,881 09	
Paid C. F. B. Tilden, doctoring horse and plowing, ...	8 50	
Edward E. Wentworth, blacksmith, etc., ...	46 30	
Israel C. Vinal, services as constable,	2 00	
Samuel Bates, tin ware, etc., . .	48 86	
Beal's Express, expressing, . .	8 10	
John Souther, standing wood, . .	12 00	
Isaac H. Young, horse, . - .	75 00	
" " sundry bills, . .	17 95	
J. B. Harvey, attendance before Apr. 1,	9 00	
G. P. Pratt, " " " .	6 00	
" " " as per contract,	15 00	
Amos E. Tilden, horse hire, . .	18 00	
" " pigs, . . .	17 00	
Chas. F. Tilden, bolts, . . .	1 00	
Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber and coal, .	36 85	
J. Q. A. Lothrop, services, . .	25 00	
Caleb F. Nichols, " . . .	25 00	
Horatio G. Pratt, " . . .	25 00	
		$5,277 65

Stock at Almshouse, December 31, 1885.

3 horses, ...	$300 00
5 cows, ...	250 00
1 bull, ...	20 00
1 two-year-old heifer, . . .	35 00
1 yearling, ...	12 00
100 hens, ...	75 00
2 pigs, ...	15 00
1 two-horse farm wagon, . . .	75 00
1 express wagon, ...	115 00
1 horse cart, ...	25 00
1 pung, ...	30 00
1 two-horse sled, ...	70 00
3 ploughs, ...	25 00
1 cultivator, ...	5 00
1 horse rake, ...	7 00
1 mowing machine	10 00
Amount carried forward, . . .	$1,069 00

Amount brought forward,		$1,069 00
Paid 1	two-horse hoe,	13 00
1	harrow,	9 00
1	drag and stock	6 00
1	wheelbarrow,	4 50
1	set double harness	75 00
1	" single "	36 00
2	" cart "	15 00
1	" lead "	6 00
	Robes and blankets,	10 00
1	grindstone,	8 00
	Carpenters' tools,	5 00
	Saws and axes,	10 00
	Farming tools,	25 00
	Chains, etc.,	10 00
	Paint, oil and brushes,	3 00
	Household furniture,	375 00
1	refrigerator,	10 00
1	sewing machine,	35 00
6	stoves and fixtures,	60 00
	Crockery and glassware,	22 00
	Cutlery, spoons, etc.	20 00
	Wooden ware,	22 00
	Tin, earthen, and stone ware,	40 00
	Casks and barrels,	16 00
	Grain and bags,	10 50
100	bushels potatoes,	70 00
5	bushels beets,	2 50
10	" F. Turnips,	7 00
1	barrel squashes,	1 50
2	dozen cabbages,	2 00
2	barrels flour,	15 00
1	barrel corned beef,	20 00
75	pounds fresh beef,	11 25
2½	barrels salt pork,	50 00
100	pounds ham,	12 00
50	" shoulders,	5 00
175	" lard,	17 50
	Groceries,	45 00
3	tons coal,	23 00
16	cords hard wood,	96 00
Amount carried forward,		$2,292 75

Amount brought forward, ...	$2,292 75	
Paid 2 cords trash wood, ...	6 00	
7 tons English hay, . . .	175 00	
8 " salt " . . .	112 00	
1 wagon frame, ...	8 00	
12 bushels Y. E. beans, . . .	21 00	
3 barrels cider, ...	13 50	
1 barrel vinegar, ...	4 50	
Lot of manure, ...	100 00	
		$2,732 75

Account of Sales and Income.

By Clarence Litchfield, milk, . . .	$ 91 75	
William W. Bates, " . . .	10 15	
Edwin G. Stewart, poultry, . . .	21 66	
Galen James, use of stock, . . .	1 00	
E. Ellis, balance on cow, . . .	5 00	
J. Q. A. Lothrop, potatoes, . . .	4 20	
Manuel Silva, interest, . . .	41 70	
Elmer E. Bates, eggs, . . .	3 04	
A. H. Tower, trustee for J. J. Lothrop,	185 00	
D. H. Bates, rent of D. Vinal House, .	4 00	
Hammers, drills, etc., highways, . .	20 00	
Stock and tools of Prentiss, . . .	7 00	
Bourne & Nickerson, calves and hides, .	16 30	
		$410 80
Amt. of Stock on hand Dec. 31, 1885, .	$2732 75	
" Sales and Income, . . .	410 80	
		$3,143 55
Debit brought forward, ...	$5277 65	
Credit " "	3143 55	
Almshouse, debtor to balance, . .		$2,134 10
Expenses of inmates at Almshouse for 626 weeks, at 3.40\frac{570}{626}$ per week, amounts to		$2,134 10

The following persons remain in the Almshouse Dec. 31, 1885:

Elizabeth Hudson,	William C. Hayden,
Jane B. Lambert,	David Vinal,
Augusta Silva,	Benjamin F. Everett,
Frances George,	Robert Williams,
Antone George,	Joseph W. Pratt,
John J. Lothrop, boarder,	John F. Prentiss.

Partial Support of Persons Outside of Almshouse,

With Names of Heads of Families, and Amount Paid to Each Family, for the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1885.

Paid for Julia Macomber,	$186 20	
Elizabeth J. Dady,	221 73	
William Kilburn,	193 85	
George B. Williams,	196 61	
William T. Stewart,	81 63	
Lot Willcutt,	172 96	
George F. Groves,	43 14	
Manuel Enos,	72 00	
Myra Gardner,	78 00	
Joseph F. Martin,	112 00	
Elizabeth Ainslie,	275 22	
Mary O'Brien,	108 00	
Reta Frates,	93 99	
Isaac H. Tower,	76 02	
John Tyrer,	108 00	
Henry L. Bates,	46 17	
William H. Litchfield,	82 63	
Joseph E. Smith,	92 00	
Mary A. Kent,	75 60	
Thankful R. Souther,	48 00	
Eunice Sterling,	64 80	
Anthony J. Anderson,	18 00	
William F. Harris,	52 80	
William Hayden,	52 39	
Susan Waters,	2 34	
Susan Meeker,	75 30	
Charles H. Litchfield,	11 84	
Mrs. Oliver Henderson,	184 90	
John F. Prentiss,	34 87	
Manuel Williams,	7 50	
Medical attendance,	79 00	
Horse hire,	9 00	
Overseers of the Poor,	131 06	
		$3,087 55

Payments have been made to the following persons during the year, on account of assistance rendered to persons outside of Almshouse, to December 31, 1885:

Worcester Lunatic Hospital,	$186 20
Worcester Asylum for Chronic Insane,	221 73
Taunton Lunatic Hospital,	676 69
James St. John for Lot Willcutt,	1 50
Orders on the Treasurer,	503 00
William F. Thayer, for Reta Frates,	33 99
W. S. Dunbar, for I. H. Tower,	9 00
M. B. Stetson & Co. for I. H. Tower,	10 63
Gross & Nichols, for John Tyrer,	108 00
Frank W. Browne, for Elizabeth Ainslie,	3 25
Philander Bates, for Ainslie, Tower and Hayden,	72 88
Thomas Williams, for Henry L. Bates,	3 75
Herbert L. Brown, for Bates, Waters, Meeker and Litchfield,	104 14
Henry A. Seaverns & Co., for William H. Litchfield,	5 88
Town of Scituate, for Litchfield and Prentiss,	74 37
City of Boston, for Kent, Souther, Sterling and Anderson,	206 40
Elmer E. Bates, for Joseph E. Smith,	72 00
Lot W. Bates, for Joseph E. Smith,	20 00
Town of Ashburnham, for W. F. Harris,	17 73
Town of Royalston, for W. F. Harris,	35 07
Lincoln Bros., for Hayden & Litchfield,	15 88
Cohasset Clothing Store, for W. Hayden,	5 25
Amos E. Tilden, " horse hire,	9 00
Tower, Bro. & Co., for Ainslie, O'Brien, and others,	127 13
Bourne & Nickerson, for Ainslie, Hayden, and others,	99 95
City of Newburyport, for Henderson,	184 90
Israel C. Vinal, for Williams,	7 50
Caleb F. Nichols, for Tower & Hayden,	31 67
James B. Harvey, " medical attendance,	74 00
G. P. Pratt, " " "	25 00
Amount carried forward,	$2,946 49

Amount brought forward, ...	$2,946 49	
J. Q. A. Lothrop, for services and expenses,	$63 62	
Caleb F. Nichols, " " " .	24 42	
Horatio G. Pratt, " " " .	53 02	
		$3,087 55
Amounts to be reimbursed to the Town:		
From James Dady for E. J. Dady, . .	$221 73	
Town of Hingham, ...	78 00	
Town of Weymouth, . . .	43 14	
State of Massachusetts, . . .	31 00	
Joseph Caton, Minot estate, . .	59 00	
		$432 87
Amount for outside relief, . . .	$3,087 55	
" " Almshouse, ...	2,134 10	
		$5,221 65
Amount to be reimbursed, . . .		432 87
Cost of Poor for the year, . . .		$4,788 78
Amount appropriated, ...	$5,000 00	
Amount unexpended, ...		$211 22

Respectfully submitted,

J. Q. A. LOTHROP,
CALEB F. NICHOLS,
HORATIO G. PRATT,
Overseers of the Poor of Cohasset.

Dr. Town of Cohasset in Account with

1885–1886

To paid Selectmen's Orders, drawn to date,	$16,176 16
State Aid and relief of Indigent Soldiers and Sailors,	1,026 00
Appropriation for School-teaching, fuel and repairs,	6,700 00
Income of Massachusetts School Fund, Ripley Fund, and Dog Licenses for 1884, as paid Treasurer School Committee in addition to above,	428 06
Assessors' Orders for abatement of taxes,	181 31
Discount on Taxes for 1885,	929 73
State of Massachusetts, tax for 1885,	2,715 00
County of Norfolk, tax for 1885,	1,928 95
State Treasurer, on account license,	25
Cohasset Savings Bank, funded note, due 1885,	1,000 00
James W. Nichols, funded note due 1885,	1,000 00
Amount Temporary Loan, in 1885,	13,000 00
Interest on Town's Notes,	1,090 29
	$46,175 75
Balance in Treasury,	2,691 94
	48,867 69

Cohasset, January, 1886.

Cohasset, January 15, 1886.

We have examined the foregoing account of the Treasurer, and find it correctly cast and properly vouched.

J. Q. A. LOTHROP,
PHILANDER BATES,
CALEB F. NICHOLS,
Selectmen of Cohasset.

Abraham H. Tower, Treasurer. Cr.

1885–1886.

By Balance in Treasury from former account,		$2,794 87
Received of Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Corporation Tax, for 1884, additional,		27 48
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Corporation Tax, for 1885,		4,313 48
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Nat'l Bank Tax,		4,228 68
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, State Aid, 1885,		593 00
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, State Paupers, 1885,		39 00
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Income of Mass. School Fund, 1884,		174 64
County of Norfolk, dog licenses, 1884,		207 92
County of Norfolk, discount on 1885 tax, paid in anticipation,		21 22
Town of Weymouth, settlement old account,		389 98
Town of Weymouth, support of G. F. Groves to March 31st,		43 14
Town of Scituate, account paid, 1884,		69 90
Town of Hingham, aid to M. Gardner, 1885,		78 00
James Dady, support of insane wife, 1884,		180 82
Thomas J. Sheridan, old account,		17 55
Frank W. Browne, liquor license, 6th class		1 00
Giles H. Gardner, pedlar's license,		8 00
J. P. Alexander, pedlar's license,		8 00
Cohasset Mutual Fire Ins Co., office rent, 1885,		60 00
Joseph Caton, on account Minot estate note,		50 00
Joseph Caton, interest and insurance,		10 70
Manuel Sylvia, 2d, interest and insurance,		41 70
M. & M. J. Enos, interest on mortgage note,		9 00
Interest on bank deposits and fees on delinquent taxes,		123 06
Interest on Ripley Fund, 1885,		42 95
Louis N. Lincoln, income of Town Hall,		43 00
I. H. Young and others, Almshouse sales,		164 10
A. H. Tower, Trustee, support of J. J. Lothrop at Almshouse,		185 00
Hired Money, in anticipation of taxes, 1885,		13,000 00
Amount of Tax List for 1885,		21,941 50
		$48,867 69

ABRAHAM H. TOWER, *Treasurer.*

Town of Cohasset in Account with the School Committee.

1885. *Dr.*

HIGH SCHOOL.

Teaching.

Paid Arthur Stanley,	$1,200 00	
Miss D. S. Lothrop,	600 00	
		$1,800 00

Fuel, &c.

Tower, Bro. & Co., fuel,	$59 43	
Lincoln Bros, fuel,	45 49	
Solomon J. Hayden, janitor,	34 00	
Solomon J. Hayden, labor on wood,	1 00	
Mrs. Julia F. Henry, cleaning,	18 47	
W. S. Dunbar, supplies,	37	
Gross & Nichols, supplies,	68	
		$159 44

Repairs, &c.

Samuel Bates, repairs on stoves, etc.,	$15 19	
W. A. W. Tilden, carpentering,	17 30	
S. J. Hayden, labor,	7 88	
Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber,	2 50	
E. N. Barker, glazing,	1 00	
		$43 87

NORTH SCHOOL.

Teaching.

Paid Miss Myra W. Bates,	$340 00	
Miss Susie L. Stoddard,	300 00	
		$640 00

Fuel, &c.

Tower, Bro. & Co., fuel,	$34 67	
Care of rooms and fires,	18 00	
Mrs. Julia F. Henry, cleaning,	14 15	
J. R. Coolbrith, labor on wood,	3 00	
Samuel Bates, supplies,	7 50	
		$77 32

Repairs, &c.

Paid Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber, etc.,	$82 13	
Samuel Bates, supplies,	90	
Thomas Willcutt and others, carpentering,	50 67	
		$133 70

CENTRE SCHOOL.

Teaching.

Paid Miss Annie A. Souther,	$340 00	
Miss Sarah E. Fox,	300 00	
		$640 00

Fuel, &c.

Lincoln Bros., fuel,	$49 31	
Tower, Bro. & Co., fuel,	5 00	
Care of rooms and fires,	27 00	
S. J. Hayden, labor on wood,	2 75	
Mrs. M. Mulcahy, cleaning,	9 00	
W. S. Dunbar, supplies,	23	
Gross & Nichols, supplies,	2 80	
		$96 09

Repairs, &c.

Samuel Bates, supplies,	$5 17	
Bela Stoddard, mason,	3 25	
C. C. Adams, repairing clock,	1 50	
Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber,	5 46	
W. A. W. Tilden, carpentering,	12 70	
		$28 08

SOUTH SCHOOL.

Teaching, &c.

Paid Miss Josie L. Vinal,	$340 00	
Miss Myra L. Beal,	300 00	
		$640 00

Fuel, &c.

Lincoln Bros., fuel,	$39 00	
C. Jas. Nichols, wood,	3 00	
M. B. Stetson & Co., wood,	2 75	
Care of rooms and fires,	20 00	
Labor on wood,	5 75	
Mrs. P. Cronican, cleaning,	10 00	
Mrs. Jas. Rooney, cleaning,	4 19	
		$84 69

Repairs, &c.

Paid Samuel Bates, supplies,	$14 28	
Bela Stoddard,	6 50	
Tower, Bro. & Co., latch,	30	
W. A. W. Tilden, carpentering,	11 29	
		$32 37

BEECHWOOD SCHOOL.

Teaching.

Paid Lot W. Bates,	$450 00	
Miss Georgiana Bates,	300 00	
		$750 00

Fuel, &c.

Lot W. Bates, wood,	$71 00	
Lot W. Bates, cleaning,	8 00	
Jas. H. Morris, janitor,	20 00	
		$99 00

Repairs, &c.

Elmer E. Bates, supplies,	$5 25	
Samuel Bates, "	3 00	
Mrs. C. H. Wood, use of well,	2 00	
Bela Stoddard, mason,	5 00	
John J. A. Pratt, carpentering,	9 00	
A. W. Hayden, mason,	3 00	
		$27 25

CENTRE INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL.

Teaching.

Paid Miss Lizzie C. Bates,		$340 00

Fuel, &c.

Lincoln Bros., fuel,	$22 91	
Care of rooms and fires,	11 50	
Mrs. M. Mulcahy, cleaning,	3 50	
Gross & Nichols, supplies,	84	
		$38 75

Repairs, &c.

E. N. Barker, rent to July 1st,	$50 00	
E. N. Barker, on account of rent,	10 00	
J. Q. A. Lothrop, insurance,	2 00	
Samuel Bates, supplies,	2 17	
E. N. Barker, glazing,	50	
W. A. W. Tilden, carpentering,	75	
		$65 42

HARBOR SCHOOL.

Teaching.

Paid Miss Priscilla L. Collier,		$300 00

Fuel, &c.

Tower, Bro. & Co., fuel,	$23 25	
Care of rooms and fire,	9 45	
Mrs. F. Thomas, cleaning,	9 35	
Samuel Bates, supplies,	2 20	
W. S. Dunbar,	40	
		$44 65

JERUSALEM SCHOOL.

Teaching.

Paid Miss Annie Fox,		$340 00

Fuel, &c.

Lincoln Bros., wood,	$39 00	
Care of room and fires,	10 00	
Supplies,	2 33	
		$51 33

Repairs, &c.

Bela Stoddard,		$4 00

KING STREET SCHOOL.

Teaching.

Paid Miss Martha P. Bates,		$340 00

Fuel, &c.

Harry W. Burbank, wood,	$19 76	
Jas. McCormick, janitor,	13 00	
Mrs. Sarah McCormick, cleaning,	5 00	
		$37 76

Repairs, &c.

Samuel Bates, supplies,	$13 65	
Bela Stoddard, mason,	4 00	
Eben James, repairs,	4 50	
Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber,	3 22	
		$25 37

MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid sundry bills for books and stationery,		$513 39
Rev. Joseph Osgood, superintendent,	$250 00	
C. Lothrop, treasurer,	25 00	
Account book for treasurer,	65	
Dennison Manf. Co., trimmings, etc.,	1 50	
R. H. White & Co., brackets, etc.,	55	
Educational Supply Co., organ pipe,	3 50	
Knight, Adams & Co., ink stands,	4 50	
Harris, Rogers & Co., globe,	3 00	
Thomas Hall, horse-shoe magnet,	65	
Nelson H. Brown, clock,	5 50	
Perry, Mason & Co., engine and battery,	2 25	
Filling diplomas and ribbon,	1 40	
C. F. B. Tilden, carriage hire,	41 00	
A. W. Dunbar, fire extinguishers,	4 00	
Cohasset Cottager, printing,	14 25	
W. W. Wade, tuning piano,	5 00	
Beal's Express, expressing,	16 40	
		$379 15

RECAPITULATION.

Paid for teaching,	$5,790 00	
Fuel, care of rooms, etc.,	689 03	
Repairs, etc., on school houses,	360 06	
Books and stationery,	513 39	
Miscellaneous,	379 15	
		$7,731 63
Balance unexpended,		21 39
		$7,753 02

Cr.

Balance unexpended in 1884, . . .	$74 52	
Amount of appropriation for teaching, fuel, care of rooms, etc., ...	5,700 00	
Amount of appropriation for repairs, etc., .	1,000 00	
Amount appropriated for school books, .	500 00	
Amount of Massachusetts school fund and dog licenses in 1884, ...	382 56	
Interest Ripley fund in 1884, . . .	45 50	
Received from Jas. P. Anderson for schooling of Laura and Arthur Anderson in 1883 and 1884, ...	40 00	
Received from Rev. Joseph Osgood for books sold, ...	10 44	
		$7,753 02

C. LOTHROP, { *Treasurer for the School Committee.*

Approved:

LOUIS T. CUSHING,
DR. J. B. HARVEY,
REV. J. W. SAVAGE,
} *School Committee.*

Estimated amounts recommended by the Selectmen to be appropriated and raised by taxation for the ensuing year.

For payment of debt,	$2,000 00
" interest,	1,000 00
" discount on taxes,	1,000 00
Support of the poor,	5,000 00
" " Schools,	5,700 00
Repairs of school houses, salary of Superintendent, Treasurer of School Committee, and School Books,	1,500 00
Removing snow,	400 00
Watering streets,	800 00
Repairing highways,	4,500 00
Town officers,	1,000 00
Printing,	200 00
Fire department,	400 00
Public Library,	400 00
Miscellaneous,	500 00
G. A. R. Post,	100 00
	$24,500 00
State and County tax, estimated,	4,500 00
Total to be appropriated,	$29,000 00
Amount estimated to be received from Bank and Corporation taxes in 1886,	$5,000 00
Cash and unpaid taxes in treasury,	2,000 00
	$7,000 00
Amount recommended to be raised by taxation,	17,500 00

Table of Aggregates.

Valuation of Real Estate, May 1, 1884,	$1,892,553 00
Valuation of Personal Estate, May 1, 1884,	1,153,836 00
Total Valuation,	$3,046,389 00

Valuation of Real Estate, May 1, 1885, . .		$1,932,748 00
Valuation of Personal Estate, May 1, 1885, .		1,117,724 00
Total Valuation, ...		$3,050,472 00
Increase of Real Estate in 1885, . . .		$40,195 00
Increase of Personal Estate in 1885, . .		36,112 00
Total Increase, ...		$4,083 00
Number of polls in 1884, ...		582
Number of polls in 1885, ...		598
Increase in polls, ...		16
Tax on polls and estates, ...		$21,939 50
State tax, ...	$2,715 00	
County tax, ...	1,928 95	
Town grant, ...	17,000 00	
Overlayings, ...	295 55	
		$21,939 50
Rate per cent. on $1,000, ...		6 80
Number of dwellings in 1885, ...		575
" horses, ...		244
" cows, ...		299
" sheep, ...		35
" neat cattle, ...		53
" swine, ...		35
" acres taxed, ...		5,916

List of Jurymen

DRAWN DURING THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1885.

February.	Galen James,	Supreme J. Court.
Mar. 26.	J. Q. A. Lothrop,	Grand Juror.
" 30.	Walter S. Beal,	Superior Court.
April 13.	Samuel G. James,	" "
May 6.	Thomas Lincoln,	U. S. Grand Juror.
"	George W. Cousens,	" "

May 6.	Israel C. Vinal,	U. S. District Court.
"	George H. Briggs,	" "
"	Levi L. Worrick,	" "
Sept. 1.	Waldo C. Locke,	Superior Court.
" 17.	Edwin Bates,	" "
Dec. 1.	Rufus Bates,	" "
" 17.	Herbert O. Beale,	" "

List of Jurors,

To be revised and accepted by the Town, at its next Annual Town Meeting, to be held March 1, 1886.

Francis P. Appleton,
William W. Apts,
Jeremiah R. Ainslie,
Joseph S. Bigelow,
John Bryant,
Charles V. Barnes,
Philander Bates,
Samuel P. Bates,
Cyrus W. Bates,
Zaccheus L. Beal,
James W. Bell,
Thomas D. Blossom,
Ezra Brown,
Orlando Curtis,
George W. Crocker,
Edward E. Ellms,
John M. Damon,
Stephen D. Farrar,
John E. Groce,
Charles A. Gross,
Jesse C. Hayden,
Charles L. Kittrell,
Caleb Lincoln,
Joseph W. Litchfield,
A. Bradford Litchfield,
Levi L. Nichols,
Samuel E. Pratt,
Aaron Pratt,
Daniel W. Pratt,
C. James Pratt,
Ziba C. Small,
Morgan B. Stetson,
Andrew J. Souther,
Daniel N. Tower,
Willie F. Thayer,
Charles H. Willard.

Population of the Town of Cohasset.

May 1, 1885, ...	2,229
Number of inhabitants over 90 years of age, . . .	4
" " between 80 and 90 years of age,	31
" " " 70 " 80 " "	93
" " " 60 " 70 " "	148

ARTICLES TO BE IN TOWN WARRANT FOR NEXT ANNUAL TOWN MEETING,

MARCH 1, 1886.

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

ART. 2. To act upon the Reports of the Trustees and Treasurer of the Public Library, Selectmen, Overseers of the Poor, Treasurer, Treasurer of the School Committee, and School Committee.

ART. 3. To choose all Town Officers required by law and Town By-Laws.

ART. 4. What sums of money will the Town raise and appropriate for the Payment of the Debt, Interest and Discount, Repairs of Highways, Support of the Poor and Schools, Repairs of School Houses, Public Library, Watering Streets, Decorating Soldiers' and Sailors' Graves, and other necessary charges and expenses for the current year. Also, will the Town authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to hire money, in anticipation of the taxes, and to pay State and Military Aid.

ART. 5. In what manner will the Town collect the Taxes the current year, and at what time shall they be paid into the Treasury.

ART. 6. To hear the Report of the Selectmen on Guide-Boards, and act thereon.

ART. 7. Will the Town accept the List of Jurors as prepared and posted by the Selectmen.

ART. 8. Will the Town cause the Financial Report to be printed and distributed in the month of February, 1887.

ART. 9. To hear and act upon the Report of any Committee.

ART. 10. Shall Licenses be granted for the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors in the Town the current year, in accordance with Chap. 100, Sect. 5, of the Public Statutes.

ART. 11. To fix the compensation of the Collector of Taxes for the current year.

ART. 12. Will the town authorize the Selectmen to settle the case of the Estate of Martin Beal *vs.* Town of Cohasset, according to the agreement of the Attorneys, or act thereon.

ART. 13. Will the Town authorize the Selectmen to settle any claims presented against the town where the amount claimed does not exceed the amount of One Thousand Dollars, or act thereon.

ART. 14. Will the Town raise and appropriate a sum of money for the Improvement of the Common, or act thereon.

ART. 15. Will the Town raise and appropriate a sum of money to be paid to the Cohasset Water Company, when organized and the water is ready for use, to be used for the extinguishing of fires and for watering streets, or act thereon.

ART. 16. Will the Town authorize the Selectmen to hire a lot of land for a Base Ball Ground, or act thereon.

ART. 17. Will the Town raise and appropriate a sum of money to build a school-house for the Intermediate School, or act thereon.

ART. 18. Will the Town raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of planting Shade Trees upon the Public Squares or Highways, as provided in Sec. 1, Chap. 123, of the Acts of 1885, or act thereon.

LIST OF

MARRIAGES, BIRTHS AND DEATHS,

Registered in Cohasset, during the Year 1885.

PREPARED BY THE TOWN CLERK.

MARRIAGES.

Date.		NAMES.	Residences.	Where and by whom Married.
1885.				
Jan.	2	Asahel F. Nott Margaret O'Brien	Cohasset "	Married in Hingham by Rev. Gerald Fagan.
"	17	Thomas E. McGrath Mary F. Antoine	Cohasset "	Married in Cohasset by Newcomb B. Tower, J. of Peace.
Mar.	10	Henry B. Kimball Minnie A. Cutler	Cohasset "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. John W. Savage.
"	10	Charles V. Barnes Hattie A. Morse	Cohasset "	Married in Boston by Rev. Joseph E. Barry.
April	2	Spencer H. Stoughton Mary C. Pratt	Cohasset "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. John W. Savage.
"	5	George E. Antoine Mary E. Smith	Cohasset "	Married in Hingham by Rev. Gerald Fagan.
"	20	John E. F. Frates Louisa Muivey	Cohasset "	Married in Hingham by Rev. Gerald Fagan.
June	11	George B. Mapes Carrie E. Griffin	Cohasset Gloucester	Married in Gloucester by Rev. W. F. Lawford.
"	21	Abner N. Bates Annie Shay	Cohasset So. Scituate.	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.
July	2	Albert W. Litchfield Rose E. Higgins	Hingham Cohasset	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.
"	12	Edward H. Taylor Mary A. A. Whelan	Scituate "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.
Aug.	10	George T. Burnham Irene E. Brown	Cohasset East Boston.	Married in Chelsea by Rev. E. D. Towle.
"	15	Frank Seeler Sarah Waters	Braintree "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. John W. Savage.
Sept.	5	Antonio Pincheiro Marg'ret A. (Frates) Silva	Boston Cohasset	Married in Boston by Edw. L. Hill, Esq., Just. of Peace.
"	21	Daniel Corcoran Mary Bishop	Framingh'm Cohasset	Married in Hingham by Rev. Gerald Fagan.
Oct.	6	Charles H. Cousens Eunice J. Lothrop	Cohasset "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.

MARRIAGES. — Continued.

Date.	NAMES.	Residences.	Where and by whom Married.
1885.			
Oct. 20	George W. Bouvé	Cohasset	Married in Cambridge by Rev. Edward Abbott.
	Grace N. Miller	Cambridge	
" 31	Ernest G. Marshall	Holbrook	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.
	Tressa Grigg	Cohasset	
" 31	Jeremiah R. Ainslie	Cohasset	Married in No. Scituate by Rev. T. W. Sheppard.
	Lizzie C. Bradford	Scituate	
Nov. 26	Herbert B. Bailey	Boston	Married in No. Scituate by Rev. T. W. Sheppard.
	Alice C. Brown	Cohasset	
" 26	George Brennock	Cohasset	Married in Weymouth by Rev. J. J. Murphy.
	Catharine F. Coleraine	Weymouth	
" 29	Ernest F. Litchfield	Scituate	Married in Cohasset by Rev. John W. Savage.
	Henrietta W. Pratt	"	
Dec. 7	Orlando R. Litchfield	Scituate	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Harlan Page.
	Lilla M. Litchfield	So. Scituate.	
" 23	Walter S. Beal	Cohasset	Married in No. Cohasset by Rev. J. H. Allen.
	Mary E. (Minot) Ward	"	
" 25	Frank F. Martin	Cohasset	Married in So. Scituate by Rev. T. W. Sheppard.
	Mary A. Joseph	So. Scituate.	
" 31	Daniel Golden	Cohasset	Married in Boston by Rev. H. P. Smyth.
	Mary C. Flynn	Bost.High'ds	

Twenty-six Marriages were registered in this town during the year 1885, as per list above.

BIRTHS—1885.

Date of Birth.	NAMES.	Parents' Names.	Maiden Name.	Place of Birth.
Feb. 14	Flora Leland Cutler	George L. and Susie W.	Doane	Summer Street.
" 15	Gilbert Sanders Tower	Daniel N. and A. Josephine	Smith	Beach "
" 28	Frank Joseph Salvador.	Antoine E. and Amelia	Galvin	Margin "
Mar. 16	Annie Foster Cadose	Levi and Mary	San José	Border "
" 22	Joseph Brennock	William J. and Elizabeth M.	Ainslie	" "
" 30	Mary Sybil Roche	John (Jr.) and Mary	Murphy	No. Main "
Apr. 3	Bessie Belle Collier	Edmund P. and Ella B.	Sargent	" "
" 5	Thomas Winslow Rich	Thomas A. and Mary A.	Wellman	Elm "
" 18	Mary Charlotte Sidney	Antoine and Josephine	Frates	Spring "
May 3	Mary L. Silvia	Joseph F. and Louisa	Rose.	Margin "
" 9	Hester Worrick Towle	Ezra H. and Sarah C.	Nichols	Spring "
" 18	George Henry Barnes	George H. and Ellen J.	Bates	No. Main "
" 21	Walter Edward McGrath	Thomas E. and Mary F.	Antoine	Margin "
" 24	Mary Elizabeth Roche	Thomas and Annie A.	A'Hearn	No. Main "
" 27	Alfred Percival Lincoln	Stephen P. and Alice L.	Thornton	Hull "
June 12	Russell Thomas Souther	Edwin F. and Elizabeth H.	Hobill	Pembroke.
" 19	George Washington Martin	Frank F. and Mary E.	Frates	Border Street.
" 25	Frederick Clifford Taylor	George and Harriet	Tower	So. Main "
" 28	Sarah Lincoln Vargus	Antoine (Jr.) and Mary E.	Arnold	Church "
July 5	Edward Lewis Damon	Newcomb L. and Amelia R.	Snow	Elm "
" 6	Herbert Clark Smith	John and Lucy E.	Frates	Atlantic Avenue.
" 14	—— Nott	Charles E. and Clara W.	Small	Pleasant Street.
" 14	Thomas Joseph Sheridan	Thomas F. and Ellen E.	Mulcahy	" "
" 18	Harriet Almira Whitcomb.	Thomas W. and Marion S.	Brown	Beechwood Street.
" 25	Elizabeth Anna Mitchell	Frank and Fillie	Frates	Doane "
" 29	Jennie Warren Denithorne	James and Emma	Crocker	Margin "
Aug. 1	Edward Bond Francis	Joseph E. and Marianna	Lawrence	Spring "
" 6	Mabel A. Henry	William F. and Mary F.	Gracia	Border "
" 10	Lillian Ernestine Bates	Oliver H. and Martha A.	Woodworth	Beechwood "
" 12	Anthony Clarke	Anthony and Susan	Keneilly	Jerusalem Road.
" 17	Herman Carlton Sylvia	Joseph and Julia E.	Litchfield	Elm Street.
" 23	William Pratt Stoughton	Spencer H. and Mary C.	Pratt	Beechwood Street.
" 25	Henry Stuart Rooney	Barney and Delia	O'Reilly	Margin "
Sept. 18	Martha Pitkin	Charles L. and Nellie	Washburn	Jerusalem Road.
" 24	Fred'k Edward A'Hearn	Peter and Margaret F.	Ryan	" "
" 30	Alice Agnes Antoine	Joseph A. and Ellen A.	Flemming	Border Street.
Oct, 4	Francis Palmer	Plummer F. and Mary	Sheahan	So. Main "
" 6	Sarah May Buffum	Edgar and Mary F.	Lawrence	Summer "
" 16	—— Bates	William W. and Mary E.	Litchfield	Beechwood Street.
" 25	Flora Jeanette Arnold	Daniel P. and Mary A.	Vargus	Church "
Nov. 16	Michael Henry Donovan	Daniel and Mary	McCarty	No. Main "
Dec. 26	Herbert Andrew Studley	Andrew J. and Helen M.	Edwards	Margin "
" 28	Alice Lincoln Bates	Arthur S. and Ella E.	Burbank	King "
1882.				
Oct. 18	Sarah Maud A'Hearn	Peter and Margaret F.	Ryan	Hull Street.
1884.				
Jan. 10	Raymond Peter A'Hearn	Peter and Margaret F.	Ryan	Hingham.
Dec. 20	Lucy Evelyn Treat	Nath'l W. and Hannah F.	Newcomb	Atlantic Avenue.

Forty-six births were registered in Cohasset during 1885, as per list above — three of the number having been overlooked in preceding years.

Of the number born during 1885, all excepting one were born in this town.

In the year 1885, there were born of American parents	23
Foreign Parents	13
Foreign Father and American Mother	4
Foreign Mother and American Father	3
Total	43

Males, 22. Females, 21.

DEATHS. — 1885.

Date.	NAMES.	Age. Y.	M.	D.	Cause of Death.	Place of Death.
Jan. 3	Sybil B. Towle	77	0	7	Apoplexy	No. Main St.
Feb. 3	Ralph H. Merritt		2		Bronchitis	" "
" 9	Moses Pratt	47	3		Consumption	Beechwood "
April 17	1Evelyn A. (Cobb) Beal	33			Diabetes sac	Hull "
" 19	2Alfred M. Antoine	15	7	18	Tub. Meningitis	Margin "
May 3	3Susan Clarke	2	3	6	Meningitis	Jerusalem R'd
" 8	Herbert F. Stoddard	3	7	2	Meningitis	Church St.
" 19	John H. Morgan	79	2		Cancer of Rectum	Beechwood "
" 20	—— Priest				Stillborn	Hull "
July 5	2Mary E. (Frates) Martin	34	5		Typhoid Fever	Border "
" 11	2Ella C. Valine		11		Diarrhœa	Margin "
" 15	Lucretia O. (Bailey) Otis	60		16	Bright's Disease	Border "
" 17	—— Nott			4	Malformation	Pleasant "
" 18	4Sumner R. Mead	49	10		Cerebro Spin'l Sclerosis	Jerusalem R'd
" 18	Abbie B. Cushing	62			Congestion of Brain	Spring St.
" 21	2George W. Martin		1		Brain Fever	Border "
" 24	2Louisa I Silvia	38	8		Consumption	Margin "
Aug. 13	Ephraim Snow	74	3	14	Typhoid Fever	Elm "
" 15	Myra B. Willcutt	87			General Debility	Nc. Main "
" 18	5Joseph Messer	79			Debility	Beach "
" 19	2Mary L. Sylvia		3	16	Consumption	Margin "
" 20	2Manuel F. Bandura	57			Cholera Morbus	" "
" 20	Amanda (Wood) Burbank	60	3	16	Congestion of Lungs	King "
" 24	Sarah Cundy	89			Heart Disease	Jerusalem R'd
" 27	Hepsibah E. (Bates) Conley	47			Cancer Gastric	Beechwood St.
Sept. 1	6Charles Faulkner	73	10	21	Heart Disease	Jerusalem R'd
" 11	Alonzo Smith	52	2		Ship Fever	Margin St.
" 19	Myra (Willcutt) Bennett	76	5		Peritonitis	Elm "
" 27	Betsey (Howard) Beal	77		11	Acute Gastritis	" "
Oct. 4	—— Palmer } twins				Stillborn	So. Main "
" 8	Francis Palmer } twins			5	Heart Disease	" "
" 7	—— O'Keefe				Stillborn	No. Main "
" 17	Edward L. Damon		3	12	Enteritis	Elm "
Nov. 1	7Abby H. Thayer	58			Cancer	Jerusalem R'd
Dec. 3	—— Merritt				Stillborn	No. Main St.
" 15	8Mary Mulhern	6	9	8	Scarlet Fever	Pleasant "

1. Buried at Hull.
2. " " Scituate.
3. " " Quincy.
4. " " Forest Hills.
5. Buried at Springfield, Vt.
6. " " Mt. Auburn.
7. " " Braintree.
8. " " Hingham.

Thirty-six deaths (including still-births) occurred in Cohasset during the year 1885, as per list above, seventeen of the number being males and nineteen females, and the average age being 37 years 3 months 15 days.

The following list contains the names of persons who have died in other places during the year, and who have been brought to this town for burial.

DEATHS. — 1885.

Date.		NAMES.	Age.			Place of Death.
			Y.	M.	D.	
January	30	1E. Warren Gilbert.....	36	8		Boston.
March	3	2Lucinda P. Nute.....	84			Manchester, N. H.
"	17	William H. Beal.....	16	11	16	Scituate.
"	17	James H. Parker.....	50	3	14	Milford.
"	17	3Charles A. Crockett.....	63	2	23	Hull.
May	8	William T. Stewart.....	66	6		Taunton.
"	15	William L. Pratt.....	62			Boston.
"	27	William Burleigh.....	66			Boston.
June	5	Louisa Beal.....	62	5	22	West Newton.
"	21	Alexander Bates.....	71	3		Boston.
August	16	4George L. Cutler.....	33		19	Emporia, Kas.
"	18	Henry W. Lincoln.....	14	7	15	Dedham.
September	23	—— Pratt				Boston.
November	7	Helen S. Hayden.....	40	8	6	Worcester.
"	11	William H. Remington....	44			Boston.
December	12	Mary C. Oakes.....	87	11	6	Concord, Mass.

1. Removed to Scituate for re-interment.
2. " " Forest Hills for re-interment.
3. " " Holliston " "
4. " " Mt. Auburn " "

N. B. TOWER, *Town Clerk.*

REPORT

OF THE

SUPERINTENDENT OF THE SCHOOLS

TO THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF COHASSET,

FOR THE YEAR 1885.

GENTLEMEN: During the past school year, the plans for the organization and grading of the schools which have been in contemplation for a long time have been finally carried out. The grade of all the schools has been advanced one year. That is, children continue till they are one year older and more advanced in learning in the primary, intermediate, and grammar schools, and are consequently better fitted by one year's additional age and training for the High School. This change has been made possible by the establishment of the Intermediate school, which, by relieving the Centre school and two primary schools of excessive numbers and classes, has enabled the teachers to retain the children longer in the lower grade schools, and to give them more thorough instruction. The advantage of the change has been very great for the High School. The scholars of the class which entered at the beginning of the school year were better qualified for the studies of the school than any class that has ever entered before, and will, in consequence, be able to obtain a more thorough, systematic and comprehensive education. Those pupils who complete the course will be better fitted for business positions, or to enter higher institutions of learning. Those who, from any cause, may be unable to complete the course, will also receive much greater benefit for the time they spend in the school.

This is the first season in which there have been no "winter scholars," or boys who are out of school during most of the year,

in the High School. Four such boys applied for admission, but they were not fitted to join any of the classes in the school; they were not older than some of the boys in the grammar schools, and were hardly prepared to enter the second classes in those schools. They could not be taught in the High School without taking the time of the teachers which is all needed for the regular classes. They could be taught in the classes of the grammar schools, and they have, therefore been remanded to those schools.

There have been no changes of teachers during the year, and all the schools have been conducted harmoniously and successfully.

The following table gives the statistics of the schools:

Schools.	Teachers.	Winter and Spring Term.	Spring and Summer Term.	Fall Term.
Jerusalem	Miss Annie Fox	25	27	32
North Grammar	" Myra W. Bates	15	15	23
North Primary	" Susie L. Stoddard	30	33	28
Centre Grammar	" Annie A. Souther	26	27	25
Intermediate	" Lizzie C. Bates	34	34	34
Centre Primary	" Sarah E. Fox	31	45	40
South Grammar	" Josie L. Vinal	21	22	25
South Primary	" Myra L. Beal	26	29	26
Harbor	" Priscilla L. Collier	41	40	37
Beechwood Grammar	Mr. L. W. Bates	26	22	25
Beechwood Primary	Miss Georgiana Bates	21	24	21
King Street	" Martha P. Bates	14	19	15
High School	Mr. Arthur Stanley Miss Drusilla S. Lothrop	40	56	59
		350	393	390

From this table it appears that the Jerusalem school has been much larger than usual. As it is a mixed school, comprising scholars in the primary and grammar school grades, and sometimes those pursuing high school studies, it necessitates numerous classes, and makes the thorough and systematic instruction of the children very difficult; yet the school has always appeared to

be in good order, and creditable progress in learning has been made by the children.

The North Primary School has had about as large a number of pupils as the room ought to contain, and as ought to be under the charge of one teacher. This school is in an excellent condition.

The North Grammar School has a larger number of pupils than it has had in the past year or two, is improving in its condition, and is full of promise.

The Centre and Harbor Primary Schools have been large, — as large as could be well taught and accommodated in their respective school rooms, even after their first classes had been taken out for the Intermediate School. The teachers of these schools, having been relieved from one grade, have been able to do more and better work for their remaining pupils.

Owing to these changes, the Centre Grammar and the Intermediate Schools, have been the best organized of any of the schools, having had two classes in each school; and have, as a result, been able to give more thorough and careful instruction to their pupils.

There has been no change in the South Grammar and Primary Schools, or in the Beechwood Schools, all of which have been doing good work, as well as the King Street School.

The High School never had a more prosperous year, and never was so well organized as at the present time.

By raising the requirements for entering, the teachers are freed from the necessity of teaching certain branches, which can as well be taught in the lower schools; they have more time to give to the higher branches of education, and can do much more for the training and instruction of their pupils than they could do under the old system. Then the pupils, entering the school more thoroughly prepared and with greater maturity of age, can engage in new and higher studies with greater interest and appreciation, and will naturally feel an increased interest in their work, and so bring all their intellectual faculties into more vigorous exercise.

The following pupils were graduated from the High School at the close of the last school year, in June:

Ruth Lothrop Farrar,
Mary Jane Merriam,
Philomena Noyera Sylvia,
Burton Stanley Treat,
Nina Elizabeth Higgins,
Harriet Jane Nichols,
Joshua Quincy Litchfield.

Of these, Miss N. E. Higgins is pursuing her education farther in the Girls' High School, in Boston; Mr. J. Q. Litchfield has entered the State Normal School, at Bridgewater, and one or two others of the class will probably pursue their education farther. Two, who having received their diplomas the year before, continued as pupils in the school last year, are pursuing their education farther; one of whom, Mr. Jason M. Ennice, is in the State Normal School in Boston, and the other, Miss Carrie G. Burdick, in a Commercial College in Boston.

One pupil, distinguished for his mental vigor, and for his enthusiasm for study and interest in the school, Alfred M. Antoine, died before the close of the term. He was highly appreciated and esteemed by his teachers and fellow pupils, whose hearts were touched with sympathy and sorrow at his sudden illness and early death.

The requirements which have been decided upon for admission to the High School are:

1st. A knowledge of arithmetic, such as is contained in the Franklin Elementary Arithmetic, studied in connection with Wentworth's Problems.

2d. Geography.

3d. United States History.

4th. Language and the elementary principles of English Grammar and Composition.

It is also expected that a pupil, before entering the High School, shall be well trained in reading, spelling, and penmanship.

These requirements for admission into the High School give also more completeness to the course of instruction in the grammar schools. There are some children whose education is finished in the grammar schools, who do not enter the High School at all, or if they enter, remain there but a short time. As the grammar schools are now constituted, they can give all the education really needed in the common branches—in reading, spelling, arithmetic, geography, penmanship, U. S. history, and in language or grammar. Book-keeping has also been introduced into these schools, so that those children who complete their course in them may know how to keep accounts and prepare business forms.

Attempts have been made from year to year to arrange courses of study to be pursued in all the schools; but owing to the differ-

ence in the constitution of the schools, and to changes in the capacities of the scholars—some classes consisting of very bright scholars and others being made up of very dull ones—it has been impossible to make up an entirely satisfactory course of studies. Courses of study adopted by many towns, cities, counties, and also recommended in the Annual Report of the Secretary of the Board of Education, have been examined, but none has been found precisely adapted to our schools and fitted to give us just what we want. Two of our schools consist of pupils of from five to sometimes fifteen or sixteen years of age. Three of the Grammar schools have regularly pupils for three years, making three grades, and one grammar and one intermediate school have pupils for two years, making but two grades in each school.

The following is presented as a course of study adapted to our schools, although it may be modified in some particulars to suit especial cases, but which the teachers are instructed to adopt as a guide in their work:

First.

The primary schools consist of children of from five to about nine years of age, on an average, except in two of the schools, —the Centre Primary and the Harbor School, where the children leave one year younger for the Intermediate. This gives an average of four years for each scholar in the primary schools. There will be then a class of new comers—the primer class—and three, often four, other classes.

First Year.

During the first term the children should be taught sentences and words from the blackboard, and should be encouraged to make letters, words and figures on their slates. They should be permitted to play with blocks, and especial pains should be taken to interest them and make the school pleasant to them. At the beginning of the second term the children may begin to read from books, to spell and to count, and perform the simplest operations in numbers by the aid of blocks and other objects. The books which they will read this term and the next term will be the Primer and First Reader, with supplementary reading. Especial pains should be taken to keep these young children busy and to make them happy. When they are tired of sitting still and have nothing to do, they may be permitted to play around the school-

house if a suitable place can be found for them to play in. Although teachers, with their numerous classes, can give but little time to these small children, it is really the most important year of their school life.

Second Year.

The reading-book for the second year should be Monroe's Second Reader, with supplementary reading of the same grade. To this should be joined spelling from the reading-books, writing words and sentences, learning all combinations of numbers to twenty.

Third Year.

Monroe's Third Reader, Primary Arithmetic, Walton's Card, and operations in small numbers on the slates or blackboard. Other exercises the same as for the second year.

Fourth Year.

Monroe's Fourth Reader, with supplementary reading. In arithmetic, the Franklin Elementary to fractions, on the 78th page, with continued use of Walton's tables, Primary geography, Harrington's speller, and language lessons.

In all the classes, singing, drawing, physiology, or a knowledge of the laws of health, gymnastics, and as much knowledge of natural science as the teachers can give, are to be taught.

The grammar school course is for three years, but some pupils from their slowness in learning, irregularity of attendance, sickness or other causes, fail to keep up with their classes, and are obliged to stay in the school four years, or longer.

The following course of study has been arranged for the grammar schools, subject to such changes as further thought and experience may require:

First Year.

Further practice in the four fundamental rules of arithmetic and common fractions in the Franklin Elementary Arithmetic, Colburn's First Lessons, Walton's Tables in connection with Wentworth's Problems, Common School Geography, Language Lessons, Reading,—Monroe's Fourth Reader, the Geographical Reader, and other supplementary reading books.

Second Year.

In arithmetic, the Franklin Elementary, through percentage, fractions and simple interest, with corresponding exercises in Wentworth's Problems and Colburn's First Lessons. Finish Geography, Language Lessons, Reading-books—Higginson's U. S. History, with supplementary reading.

Third Year.

Finish in arithmetic, the Franklin Elementary with corresponding work in Wentworth's Problems and Colburn's First Lessons, United States History, with review lessons in geography once a week, English grammar, book-keeping, natural philosophy, reading—Science Reader, with supplementary reading.

During the whole of the grammar school course the pupils are to be instructed in English composition, Harrington's Speller, Smith's System of Drawing, English composition, penmanship, physiology and the laws of health.

COURSE OF STUDY

FOR

COHASSET HIGH SCHOOL.

1*st Year.* —	*Latin* or *French*.	Arithmetic.
	Physiology.	Eng. Grammar.
	Accounts.	American Authors.
2*d Year.* —	Algebra.	Eng. History.
	Physical Geography.	Book-keeping.
3*d Year.* —	Geometry.	Civil Government.
	Chemistry.	Botany.
4*th Year.* —	Physics.	Astronomy.
	Rhetoric.	Review of Arithmetic.
	Grammar.	History and Geography.
	General History.	

Drawing, *Music*, *Compositions*, *Readings*, Topics of *General Information* throughout the course.

A requirement of 60 per cent. *in each branch* will be made of candidates for graduation.

The teaching of morals is earnestly insisted on through all the school grades, from the first entrance of the children into the primary schools to their graduation from the High School. This teaching is not to be secured by set, formal lessons, but by sustaining a high moral tone in the schools, appealing to the consciences and moral sense of the children, making them see clearly the distinctions of right and wrong in conduct, and inspiring them with enthusiasm for the right, for the good, the true, and the beautiful. The duty of such teaching cannot be set forth more clearly than in the following extract from the Constitution of Massachusetts:

"It shall be the duty of the president, professors, and tutors of the University at Cambridge and of the several colleges, of all the preceptors and teachers of academies, and of all the other instructors of youth, to exert their best endeavors to impress on the minds of children and youth committed to their care and instruction the principles of piety and justice, and a sacred regard to truth; love of their country, humanity, and universal benevolence; sobriety, industry, and frugality; charity, moderation, and temperance; and those other virtues which are the ornament of human society and the basis upon which a republican constitution is founded. And it shall be the duty of such instructors to endeavor to lead their pupils, as their ages and capacities will admit, into a clear understanding of the tendency of the above mentioned virtues, to preserve and perfect a republican constitution, and secure the blessings of liberty as well as to promote their future happiness; and also, to point out to them the evil tendency of the opposite vices."

Owing to the law of the State, the Town has been obliged to furnish books, stationery, and all the materials needed for the use of the schools. When the law first came into effect, the children were required to use the books and school material which they already had, so that large purchases were not required. But during the year now closing, the old supplies have become nearly exhausted and fresh supplies have been needed. The expense for these supplies, both for last year and this year, has been large; larger, probably, than will be required again, for some time at least.

While every year a considerable amount of money will be required

to purchase new books to supply the place of those worn out, and the stationery and other school material, the amount will be much less than the past year. But the change in supplying books and other things needful to the schools has been of great benefit, securing books and all things necessary for every scholar without delay. It also enables us to procure a greater variety of the best books with no increase of expense, as the same books can be exchanged from scholar to scholar, from class to class, and from school to school.

The school-houses have been attended to during the year; the repairs needed have been made, and they have also been greatly improved by painting. The roof of the North school-house, which had been in a leaky condition for some time, and which had not been shingled since it was built in 1857, was shingled during the summer vacation.

Our greatest need for the present, as it has been for the past two years, is a school-room for the Intermediate School. The room where the school is now kept is altogether too small for the comfort and health of the teacher and pupils. The Secretary of the State Board of Education, Hon. J. W. Dickinson, in his report for 1880–81, writes: "The size of a school-building must be determined by the number of pupils that are to occupy it. The best authorities are of the opinion that, at least, two hundred and fifty cubic feet of space in the school-room should be allotted to each pupil." Mr. George A. Walton, an agent of the Board of Education, for the same year, writes: "Within the year I have visited five school-rooms whose space per child does not, in either case, reach one hundred and thirty cubic feet, scarcely one-half the amount required for health. I spent nearly an hour with thirty-eight children and a teacher, forty persons in all, in a recitation-room twenty-nine by thirteen feet in height — ninety-five cubic feet for a person. Compare what I suffered in this unventilated room, with what the children are subject to who are confined to this room for alternate hours of the entire school-day, from week to week, and what less can you say, than that here is 'cruelty to young children,' in compensation for which the learning they get is of slight importance. But if it be cruelty to them, it must be worse than cruelty to the young teacher to subject her to such conditions for the whole school year."

The Intermediate School for two terms consisted of thirty-four

pupils. When all were present with the teacher there were thirty-five persons in the room. From accurate measurements it is found that that would give less than eighty-two cubic feet of space to each person. When we consider that this school-room is not a mere recitation room, that it is occupied all the school-day, and that it has no way of ventilation, except by the windows, which cannot be opened in cold or stormy weather without strong draughts coming on the children's heads, we can imagine how uncomfortable and unhealthy it must be.

In fact, the teacher has not unfrequently been obliged to close the school on account of illness, and some of the pupils often suffer from the same cause, doubtless occasioned by the bad air of the school-room. We may even suppose that in the constitutions of children attending school in such unhealthy conditions, that seeds of disease may be planted which will result in confirmed invalidism, or early death.

The Town is paying a rent for the school-room which would about pay the interest on the cost of a new building. Desks, stove, and other school furniture have been purchased by the Town, and could be placed in a new building, furnishing it at small additional cost.

Such a new school-house is most imperiously demanded, and should be built with the least possible delay.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOSEPH OSGOOD.

LOUIS T. CUSHING,
DR. JAMES B. HARVEY,
REV. JOHN W. SAVAGE,
School Committee.

At a meeting of the School Committee:

Voted: That the foregoing Report be accepted as the Report of the School Committee.

J. W. SAVAGE,
Secretary of the School Committee.

COHASSET, January 20, 1886.

ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTEENTH

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN

OF THE

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS

OF THE

TOWN OF COHASSET,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1886,

INCLUDING THE REPORTS OF THE

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR, TREASURER, TREASURER OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE, TOWN CLERK, AND SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

WITH A

LIST OF MARRIAGES, BIRTHS AND DEATHS.

Also, the Doings at the Several Town Meetings,

REPORT OF THE VOTES CAST AT THE STATE ELECTION IN NOVEMBER, 1886,

AND THE

Reports of the Librarian and Treasurer of the Free Public Library.

COHASSET:

PRESS OF THE COHASSET COTTAGER.

1887.

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OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1886-87.

Town Clerk, NEWCOMB B. TOWER.

Selectmen and Assessors.

J. Q. A. LOTHROP, . . . Term expires March 1, 1888.
PHILANDER BATES, . . . " " March 1, 1887.
CALEB F. NICHOLS, . . . " " March 1, 1889.

Overseers of the Poor.

J. Q. A. LOTHROP, . . . Term expires March 1, 1888.
HORATIO G. PRATT, . . . " " March 1, 1887.
CALEB F. NICHOLS, . . . " " March 1, 1889.

Treasurer and Collector of Taxes, ABRAHAM H. TOWER.

Highway Surveyors.

THOMAS BATES, JAMES PETTEE. AMOS E. TILDEN, OTIS V. BARNES, SAMUEL E. PRATT.

School Committee.

REV. JOHN W. SAVAGE, . . . Term expires March 1, 1888.
JAMES B. HARVEY, M.D., . . " " March 1, 1887.
MR. HERBERT O. BEALE, . . " " March 1, 1889.

Constables.

EDWARD E. WENTWORTH, ISRAEL C. VINAL, JOHN ROCHE, JR., JOHN E. GROCE, ANDREW H. PROUTY, WILLIAM W. APTS.

Fence Viewers.

J. FOSTER DOANE, WILLIAM T. TILDEN, L. WEBSTER BATES.

Field Drivers.

FRANK W. WHEELWRIGHT, THOMAS WILLIAMS, GEORGE E. STETSON, WILLIAM T. WHITCOMB, ABNER N. BATES, JAMES DENITHORNE, WILLIAM J. BRENNOCK, MANUEL S. LEONARD, PATRICK DOWNES.

Surveyors of Lumber.

ABRAHAM H. TOWER, JR., GEORGE P. TOWER, WILLIAM H. REED.

Measurers of Wood and Bark.

SPENCER H. STOUGHTON, EDWARD E. ELLMS, MORGAN B. STETSON.

Cullers of Hoops and Staves.

ABRAHAM H. TOWER, JR., NATHANIEL W. TREAT.

Pound Keeper, ISAAC H. YOUNG.

Trustees of the Public Library.

REV. JOSEPH OSGOOD, . . . Term expires April 1, 1887.
MISS SARAH S. PRATT, . . . " " "
MISS EDITH M. BATES, . . . " " "
MRS. ABRAHAM H. TOWER, . . " " April 1, 1888.
MRS. SARAH P. BEAL, . . . " " "
CAPT. JOHN W. BATES, . . . " " "
MR. EDWARD E. ELLMS, . . . " " April 1, 1889.
LOUIS T. CUSHING, ESQ., . . . " " "
MR. ABRAHAM H. TOWER, . . " " "

Undertaker, ZACCHEUS RICH.

Firewards.

ZACCHEUS RICH, EDWARD E. WENTWORTH, SAMUEL E. PRATT, ALDEN BEAL.

Weigher of Coal, WINFIELD L. CREED.

Auctioneers.

LOUIS N. LINCOLN, J. Q. A. LOTHROP, AARON PRATT, JAMES S. BEAL.

Registrars of Voters.

CHARLES F. TILDEN, ... Term expires May 1, 1888.
JOHN M. DAMON, ... " " May 1, 1887.
C. JAMES PRATT, ... " " May 1, 1889.
NEWCOMB B. TOWER, Town Clerk, Ex-officio.

EXTRACTS FROM THE TOWN RECORDS.

At the Annual Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Cohasset, held March 1, 1886, J. Q. A. Lothrop, Esq., Moderator, It was voted, that the sum of twenty-five thousand four hundred and fifty dollars, ($25,450.00) be appropriated during the current year for the following purposes, viz:—

For Payment of Debt,	$2,000
" Interest,	1,000
Discount on Taxes,	1,000
Support of the Poor,	4,500
" Schools, (Teachers and Fuel)	5,700
Repairs of School-houses, School-books, and Salaries of Superintendent of Schools and Treasurer of School Committee,	1,500
Removing Snow,	400
Watering Streets,	800
Repairing Highways,	4,500
Town Officers,	1,000
Printing,	200
Fire Department,	400
Public Library,	450
Grand Army Post,	100
New School-house, (conditionally,)	1,000
Planting Shade Trees,	100
Furniture for the High School-room,	300
Miscellaneous,	500
Total,	$25,450

It was voted, that the sum of seventeen thousand and fifty dollars ($17,050) be raised by taxation during the current year.

It was voted, that the Treasurer be authorized to hire money, with the approval of the Selectmen, in anticipation of the taxes, and to pay State and Military Aid.

It was voted, that the taxes be collected in the same manner as last year,—and that the same discounts, (five per cent on all taxes voluntarily paid in to the Treasurer and Collector on or before the first day of September, and two per cent. on all such paid on or before the tenth day of November, 1886,) be allowed as then. And all taxes remaining unpaid on the tenth day of January, 1887, shall be considered delinquent and subject to collection according to law.

It was voted, that the following report of the Selectmen, on Guide-boards, as presented to the meeting, be accepted, viz: "The Selectmen respectfully report that posts and guide-boards are erected and maintained at the following places: One at the corner of Beechwood and Church streets; one at the corner of Beechwood and King streets; one at the corner of Beechwood and South Main streets; one at the corner of South Main and Summer streets; one at the corner of Jerusalem road and North Main street; one at the corner of North Main and King streets; one at the corner of North Main street and Forest avenue; one at the corner of Forest avenue and Jerusalem road, and one at the corner of Jerusalem road and Hull street."

It was voted, that the following list of Jurors be accepted:—

Francis P. Appleton,
William W. Apts,
Joseph S. Bigelow,
John Bryant,
Charles V. Barnes,
Philander Bates,
Samuel P. Bates,
Zaccheus L. Beal,
James W. Bell,
Thomas D. Blossom,
Ezra Brown,
Orlando Curtis,
Edward E. Ellms,
John M. Damon,
Stephen D. Farrar,
John E. Groce,
Jesse C. Hayden,
Charles L. Kittrell,
Joseph W. Litchfield,
Horatio G. Pratt,
Charles H. Willard,
A. Bradford Litchfield,
Levi L. Nichols,
Samuel E. Pratt,
Aaron Pratt,
Daniel W. Pratt,
John L. Pratt,
C. James Pratt,
Ziba C. Small,
Morgan B. Stetson,
Andrew J. Souther.

It was voted, that the Selectmen cause the Financial Report to be printed and distributed in the month of February next.

It was voted, that the report of the Selectmen and Committee on the proposed new road from Jerusalem road to Atlantic avenue be accepted. The report has been placed on file. By the above report it appears that the Selectmen were instructed to report to the Town in favor of the laying out and building the said road as specified in the report, provided it can be done at an expense, including land damages, bridging, etc., not exceeding $20,000. The Selectmen estimated that the cost would exceed that amount. By the acceptance of the report the above Committee are relieved from further duty in the matter.

It was voted, that the report of the Committee upon putting in gates at the Gulf Mill, be accepted. The whole substance of the said report is that the Committee have been unable to accomplish anything after having held several meetings, and now ask further time to consider the matter.

It was voted, that the report of the Committee upon the purchase by the Town, of Sandy Beach, be accepted. The following is the whole substance of the report: "The said Committee not organizing on account of the delay in laying out a road through and over said beach, and as the purchase of said beach would not avail to the Town without such a road as a public landing and park, your Committee most respectfully report that the time be extended, and the Committee be continued in force."

It was voted, that the report of the Committee on a Soldiers' Monument, be accepted. The report states that the Committee have added Mr. J. Q. A. Lothrop to their body, and having accomplished nothing as yet, ask for an extension of time. The above Committee as it is now organized is as follows: Aaron Pratt, Esq., Chairman; Alfred Beal, Abraham H. Tower, Treasurer; Caleb F. Nichols, J. Q. A. Lothrop, and Joseph S. Bigelow, Clerk.

Upon the question "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in the town the current year" it was voted "Yes" sixty-four (64), "No" one hundred and two, (102).

It was voted, that the compensation of the Collector of taxes the current year, be two hundred dollars, the same as last year.

It was voted, that the Selectmen be authorized to pay to Lucy Ann Beal, of Hingham, as Administratrix of Martin Beal, and to Lucy Ann Beal, individually, the sum of five hundred and seventy-

five dollars, in consideration of her executing and delivering a deed conveying to this town the right to flow with the waters of Straits Pond her lands adjacent to and near Jones Island in the town of Hull, a draft of which deed has been read at this meeting; and of releasing the town from all damages to which she, as such Administratrix or individually, is entitled to, by reason of such flowage in the past.

It was voted, that the Selectmen be authorized to compromise, settle and pay, without a special vote of the Town, any claim which may be made against the Town, where the claim does not exceed the amount of five hundred dollars.

It was voted, that the Selectmen be authorized to improve the Town's Common, without any special appropriation.

It was voted, that the Selectmen be authorized to make a contract, at a sum not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars ($1,500) per year, for a period not exceeding ten years, with the Cohasset Water Company, when the same shall be legally organized, to set hydrants, and to supply the Town with water for extinguishing fires, watering streets, use in the town buildings, and for such other uses as the public necessity and convenience may require.

It was voted, that the Selectmen be authorized to hire a lot of land for a base-ball ground.

It was voted, that the sum of one thousand dollars ($1,000)* be appropriated for building a school-house for the Intermediate School; provided contemplated changes in the accommodations of the Town House, whereby the said school may be accommodated there, are not likely to be made and completed before September 1st, next.

It was voted, that the sum of one hundred dollars* be appropriated for planting Shade Trees upon the public squares or highways, as provided in Sec. 1, Chap. 123 of the Acts of 1885.

It was voted, that the School Committee be authorized to carry pupils to and from the High School, from the extreme portions of the Town, at the Town's expense.

It was voted, that the Selectmen be authorized to widen the culvert at Cove Bridge, if they, in their judgment, deem it expedient to be done.

It was voted, that the School Committee be authorized to pur-

*See List of Appropriations.

chase for the High School, new desk furniture, for which purpose the sum of three hundred dollars* is hereby appropriated.

It was voted, that the customary vote of thanks be tendered to the Moderator for his efficient and acceptable services this day.

The business of the meeting was concluded at about half past three o'clock in the afternoon when it was voted that the meeting be dissolved.

NEWCOMB B. TOWER, *Town Clerk.*

ELECTION RECORD.

NOVEMBER 2, 1886.

FOR GOVERNOR.

Whole number of votes, 224.

Oliver Ames, of Easton,	162
John F. Andrew, of Boston,	66
Thomas J. Lothrop, of Taunton,	16

FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR.

Whole number of votes, 243.

John Q. A. Brackett, of Boston,	163
Frank K. Foster, of Haverhill,	63
John Blackmer, of Springfield,	17

FOR SECRETARY.

Whole number of votes, 244.

Henry B. Peirce, of Abington,	168
John R. Thayer, of Worcester,	60
George Kempton, of Sharon,	16

FOR AUDITOR.

Whole number of votes, 244.

Charles R. Ladd, of Springfield,	168
William F. Cook, of Springfield,	60
William W. Sherman, of Lowell,	16

*See List of Appropriations.

For Treasurer and Receiver General.

Whole number of votes, 244.

Alanson W. Beard, of Boston,	169
Lewis Warner, of Northampton,	60
John L. Kilbon, of Lee,	15

For Attorney General.

Whole number of votes, 244.

Edgar J. Sherman, of Lawrence,	169
John W. Corcoran, of Clinton,	60
Samuel M. Fairfield, of Malden,	15

For Representative to Congress. — 2nd District.

Whole number of votes, 244.

John D. Long, of Hingham,	167
Bushrod Morse, of Sharon,	62
George W. Dyer, of Weymouth,	15

For Councillor. — District No. 1.

Whole number of votes, 244.

Jonathan Bourne, of New Bedford,	168
Charles C. Carpenter, of Middleborough,	60
Nehemiah P. Baker, of Falmouth,	16

For County Commissioner.

Whole number of votes, 244.

John Q. A. Field, of Quincy,	168
George A. Cushing, of Weymouth,	60
Joshua B. Hanners, of Walpole,	16

For Special Commissioners.

Whole number of votes, 244.

Benjamin F. Baker, of Brookline,	168
George P. Morey, of Walpole,	168
Timothy Baker, of Dedham,	60
John Everett, of Canton,	60
Kilburn B. Clifford, of Stoughton,	16
William H. Howe, of Franklin,	16

For District Attorney. — Southeastern District.

Whole number of votes, 243.

Hosea Kingman, of Bridgwater,	227
Oscar A. Marden, of Stoughton,	16

For Commissioners of Insolvency.

Whole number of votes, 244.

George W. Wiggin, of Franklin,	168
Emery Grover, of Needham,	167
Robert W. Carpenter, of Foxboro,	168
Albert E. Avery, of Braintree,	60
James B. Harvey, of Cohasset,	61
Joseph J. Feeley, of Walpole,	60
Robert C. Habberly, of Hyde Park,	16
Charles W. Hodges, of Foxborough,	16
Freeman Phillips, of Wellesley,	16

For Sheriff.

Whole number of votes, 244.

Augustus B. Endicott, of Dedham,	228
Hubbard M. Bullock, of Franklin,	16

For Clerk of Courts.

Whole number of votes, 244.

Erastus Worthington, of Dedham,	228
Horace W. Mann, of Walpole,	16

For Senator. — First Plymouth District.

Whole number of votes, 244.

Jubal C. Gleason, of Rockland,	167
Harvey H. Pratt, of Abington,	57
Horace J. Poland, of Scituate,	20

For Representative. — Fourth Plymouth District.

Whole number of votes, 244.

Edmund Hersey 2nd, of Hingham,	168
William H. Litchfield, of Hull,	59
Tobias O. Gardner, of Hingham,	16
George W. Dyer, of Weymouth,	1

The whole vote of the Fourth Plymouth Representative District, comprising the Towns of Cohasset, Hingham and Hull, for Representative to the next General Court, to be holden at Boston, Jan. 5th, 1887, was as follows:—

	Hingham.	Cohasset.	Hull.	Total.
Edmund Hersey 2nd, of Hingham,	372	168	4	544
William H. Litchfield, of Hull,	122	59	28	209
Tobias O. Gardner, of Hingham,	50	16	0	66
F. H. Lincoln, of Hingham,	1	0	0	1
George W. Dyer, of Weymouth,	0	1	0	1
Blank,	8	0	0	8

Edmund Hersey 2nd, of Hingham, having received a plurality of the votes, was elected, and his certificate of election was duly filled out and delivered.

N. B. TOWER, *Town Clerk.*

The list of Enrolled Militia, May 1, 1886, contains three hundred and thirteen (313) names.

The whole number of dogs licensed in this Town from Dec. 1, 1885 to Dec. 1, 1886, was 134.

Male, ...	129
Female, ...	5

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

The Librarian of the Cohasset Free Public Library herewith presents the annual report.

With five exceptions, the Library opened every Library day during the year.

In that time, the number of books issued was 9363; the largest delivery being on Jan. 30, of 167 books, and the smallest, on Oct. 27, of 30 books.

There are registered to date 1074 borrowers, of which number 6 are from out of town.

Number of books added the past year: by donation, 146 volumes; by purchase, 75 volumes; by binding, 25 volumes. Entire number of volumes in the Library, 4007, including pamphlets.

Gifts of books have been received from Mr. M. L. Hollingsworth, Dr. C. C. Tower, Gen. Z. B. Tower, State and Government, Mr. W. C. Burrage, No. Easton and Quincy Libraries, Messrs. Waldo Higginson, and William W. Clapp.

Classification of reading the past year:

History and Biography,	389
Travel and Geography,	415
Science and Art,	93
Literature and Poetry,	167
Magazines,	1,082
Fiction,	7,136
Agriculture,	38
Religion,	43
	9,363

Respectfully Submitted,

SARAH P. BEAL, *Librarian.*

COHASSET, Dec. 30, 1886.

COHASSET, Jan. 3, 1887.

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees, held this day, the reports of the Librarian and Treasurer were presented and accepted, and it was voted to ask the Town to appropriate the sum of $450 for the Library the coming year.

EDITH M. BATES, *Secretary.*

DR. COHASSET FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY in Account Current with JOHN W. BATES, Treasurer. CR.

1886.		1886.	
To Cash paid for Lamps, Brackets, Shades, Chimneys,	$ 2 75	By Balance due Library, Dec. 31, 1885,	$ 3 98
" " " Cleaning,	12 51	" Cash received from Town Appropriation,	450 00
" " " Express,	7 69	" " " Out-town borrowers,	6 00
" " " Oil,	1 83	" " " Interest on deposits,	1 13
" " " Insurance,	40 00	" " " Mrs. Bryant, (donation,)	3 00
" " " Bookbinding,	25 05	" " " Fines,	18 73
" " " Paper, Slips, Ink, Stamps, Cards,	6 40	" " " Cards,	7 10
" " " three extra Magazines,	9 00	" " " Catalogues,	7 15
" " " travelling for purchasing Com.,	1 80		
" " " Woodbasket, Brushes, Dustpan, Poker,	2 67		
" " " Wire Gate,	13 30		
" " " Painting New Shelves, etc.,	6 00		
" " " New Shelves, Door, etc.,	51 80		
" " " Books,	96 23		
" " " 2000 Labels,	5 00		
" " " 500 Catalogues,	12 00		
" " " Magazines, 1886 and 1887,	48 55		
" " " Librarian's Salary, 11 months	137 50		
" " " Sundry Expenses, Postals, etc.,	4 75		
Cash to balance due Library,	12 18		
	$497 09		$497 09

COHASSET, DEC. 31, 1886.

JOHN W. BATES, *Treasurer.*

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN

OF THE EXPENDITURES OF THE TOWN OF COHASSET DURING THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1886, TOGETHER WITH THE FINANCIAL CONDITIONS, SAME TIME.

Furniture for High School.

Paid A. G. Whitcomb, desks,	$274 25	
W. A. W. Tilden, labor,	23 70	
C. F. B. Tilden, teaming,	1 50	
		$299 45
Amount appropriated,		300 00

Removing Snow from Streets and Sidewalks.

Paid Thomas Bates, et al.,	$99 12	
Eben James, "	24 12	
Samuel E. Pratt, "	200 85	
James Pettee, "	97 13	
Levi L. Worrick, "	69 00	
Amos E. Tilden, "	297 13	
C. F. B. Tilden, "	206 37	
Charles F. Tilden, repairs,	5 80	
Edward E. Wentworth, repairs,	6 00	
Otis V. Barnes, et al.,	95 21	
William O Souther, "	70 63	
Alden Beal, "	29 50	
		$1,200 86
Amount appropriated		400 00
Exceeded the appropriation,		800 86

Forest Fires.

Paid Horatio G. Pratt, services and expenses,		$6 85	
Isaac S. Pratt,	services,	2 50	
George Pratt,	"	2 50	
Wm. W. Apts,	"	25	
Geo. E. Ainslee,	"	25	
Joseph Silva,	"	3 00	
Benj. H. Crane,	"	3 00	
Frank Mitchell,	"	6 00	
Isaiah Lincoln,	"	25	
Oliver H. Bates,	"	25	
Franklin Stoddard,	"	25	
George F. Hayden,	"	75	
Erving Lincoln,	"	1 00	
Elmer E. Bates,	"	3 25	
George W. Pratt,	"	1 75	
Henry L. Morris,	"	1 50	
Cyrus H. Wood,	"	1 50	
George F. Sargent,	"	3 00	
Thomas Williams,	"	1 50	
I. Austin Lincoln	"	1 75	
			$41 10
Amount expended for Fire Department,		$519 98	
" of appropriation,		400 00	
Exceeded the appropriation,		$119 98	

Repairs of Highways.

SAMUEL E. PRATT, Surveyor.

Paid Samuel E. Pratt,	labor and team,	$131 92	
Ira B. Pratt,	" "	19 00	
Joseph W. Whitcomb,	" "	17 87	
William W. Bates,	" "	11 00	
Edwin Bates,	" "	11 00	
Amount carried forward,		$190 79	

Amount brought forward,		$190 79	
Paid Oliver H. Bates,	labor and team,	11 00	
Levi Lincoln,	" "	11 00	
Horace J. Damon,	" "	14 00	
Thomas W. Whitcomb,	" "	14 52	
Horatio G. Pratt,	" "	5 25	
Caleb Lincoln,	" "	14 62	
George W. Mealy,	" "	6 27	
Thomas Williams,	" "	3 50	
John W. Bates, 2nd,	" "	5 25	
Elmer E. Bates,	" "	3 50	
Louis T. Cushing,	" "	5 50	
George Antone,	labor,	14 00	
George Munnies,	"	3 50	
James H. Morris,	"	14 87	
Foster Litchfield,	"	8 75	
Abraham J. Antone,	"	4 37	
Alfred Haskell,	"	5 25	
Asahel F. Nott,	"	5 25	
Charles E. Smith,	"	5 25	
Edwin W. Bates,	"	1 75	
Charles Curtis,	"	9 62	
Frank Fratus,	"	5 25	
J. J. Silva,	"	4 00	
Silas Litchfield,	"	2 80	
Isaiah Lincoln,	gravel,	10 57	
Aaron Pratt,	"	16 87	
Hosea U. Wood,	"	2 70	
			$400 00

OTIS V. BARNES, Surveyor.

Paid John C. Howe,	labor, teams and gravel,	$52 50	
Charles E. Tyrer,	labor,	11 40	
Thomas Mulcahy,	"	11 40	
Cornelius Kenney,	"	11 40	
John R. Colbrith,	"	7 90	
Fred James,	"	5 25	
Amount carried forward,		$99 85	

Amount brought forward, . . .		$99 85	
Paid William H. Bates,	labor, . .	5 25	
William H. Bates, Jr.,	" . .	2 63	
Abner N. Bates,	" . .	10 50	
John Ney,	" . .	7 07	
Waldo C. Locke,	labor team and gravel, ...	31 00	
William O. Souther,	labor, team and gravel, ...	29 40	
Samuel Nichols,	labor and team,	22 75	
Levi L. Worrick,	" "	14 00	
Galen James,	" "	24 50	
Edward E. Tower,	gravel, . .	28 12	
			$275 00

JAMES PETTEE, Surveyor.

Paid James Pettee,	labor and teams,	$124 52	
Alden Beal,	" "	104 37	
Matthew Mulvey,	" "	24 50	
Thomas Reidy,	labor, . .	88 12	
Joseph F. Priest	" . .	24 50	
Hosea Cushing,	" . .	4 50	
John N. Cook,	" . .	3 50	
Manuel Gracia,	" . .	4 00	
Thomas Gracia,	" . .	4 00	
Walter S. Beal,	" . .	24 50	
Richard H. Priest,	" . .	10 00	
William Reidy,	" . .	10 00	
Frank M. Nichols,	sharpening tools,	1 75	
Caleb F. Nichols,	gravel, . .	19 87	
Henry M. Whitney,	" . .	25 62	
Edward E. Tower,	" . .	1 25	
			$475 00

AMOS E. TILDEN, Surveyor.

Paid Amos E. Tilden,	labor and team,	$86 25	
Manuel S. Leonard,	" "	28 00	
Joseph Jason,	" "	26 25	
Antone Sydney,	" . .	49 00	
Amount carried forward, ...		$189 50	

Amount brought forward,		$189 50	
Paid Manuel Silva,	labor,	51 62	
William Enos,	"	32 37	
Wallace Willcutt,	"	10 49	
George M. Ennice,	"	44 62	
Joseph Ennice,	"	15 75	
Peter Brennock,	"	27 75	
Peter Rooney,	"	4 25	
George W. Cousens,	"	15 93	
Bela Stoddard,	"	3 00	
John C. Howe,	curb stone,	24 00	
Edward E. Tower,	gravel and stone,	31 13	
			$450 41

THOMAS BATES, Surveyor.

Paid Thomas Bates,	labor and teams,	$134 42	
Thomas L. Bates,	" "	51 00	
William Campbell,	labor,	45 00	
Samuel N. Thayer,	"	3 50	
Daniel W. Reidy,	"	6 13	
Eugene McSweehey,	"	19 25	
Jesse T. Barnes,	"	12 85	
Galen James,	"	11 37	
Azel W. Drake,	"	28 42	
Levi L. Worrick,	"	29 00	
John Bates,	"	10 20	
C. E. White,	"	12 00	
Thomas Powers,	"	14 00	
Cummings Lothrop,	gravel,	24 00	
Edward E. Tower,	"	18 78	
Thomas Bates,	"	5 08	
			$425 00

Special Repairs on Highways, under Supervision of the Selectmen.

SAMUEL E. PRATT, Surveyor.

Sidewalk on Doane Street.

Paid Samuel E. Pratt,	labor and team,	$40 37	
Horatio G. Pratt,	" "	5 25	
William W. Bates,	" "	5 00	
Amount carried forward,		$50 62	

Amount brought forward,		$50 62	
Paid Elmer E. Bates,	labor and team,	3 50	
Horace J. Damon,	" "	15 45	
H. J. Morris,	labor,	11 86	
George Antone,	"	13 12	
Abraham J. Antone,	"	6 12	
Charles Curtis,	"	8 75	
Edwin Bates	"	10 00	
Foster Litchfield,	"	5 25	
Thomas Williams	"	7 87	
Joseph W. Whitcomb	"	4 37	
Isaac S. Pratt,	"	2 50	
Frank Fratus,	"	3 50	
Levi Lincoln,	"	1 75	
Oliver H. Bates,	"	1 00	
William T. Whitcomb,	"	1 75	
Herbert L. Brown, damage to fence,		1 00	
Isaiah Lincoln, labor and gravel,		7 79	
Aaron Pratt, gravel,		8 70	
			$164 90

Beechwood and Doane Streets.

Paid Samuel E. Pratt,	labor and team,	$13 50	
Ira B. Pratt,	" "	2 75	
Edwin Bates,	" "	2 75	
Levi Lincoln,	" "	2 75	
John W. Bates, 2d,	" "	1 75	
Oliver H. Bates,	" "	3 25	
Benjamin H. Crane,	labor,	5 62	
Frank Wheelwright,	"	2 87	
George Antone,	"	2 87	
William T. Whitcomb,	"	2 12	
Foster Litchfield,	"	1 99	
Silas Litchfield,	"	1 75	
Joseph W. Whitcomb,	"	2 25	
Thomas Williams,	"	2 25	
Horace J. Damon,	"	2 25	
L. L. Wheelwright, Jr.,	"	1 12	
Isaiah Lincoln,	gravel,	6 59	
Aaron Pratt,	"	4 56	
			$62 99

Bridge at Lincoln Mills.

Paid Samuel E. Pratt,	labor and team,	$5 50	
George W. Mealy,	" "	7 25	
George Kimball,	" "	3 50	
George Munnies,	labor, . .	1 75	
Asahel F. Nott.	" . .	1 75	
Alfred Haskell,	" . .	1 75	
Otis Mott,	gravel, . .	2 50	
			$24 00

JAMES PETTEE, Surveyor.

Green Hill Street.

Paid James Pettee,	labor and team,	$38 75	
Richard H. Priest,	" . .	3 50	
Joseph F. Priest,	" . .	4 37	
Alden Beal,	labor and team,	40 00	
Thomas Reidy,	" . .	12 25	
Stephen P. Lincoln,	" . .	7 00	
Walter S. Beal,	" . .	7 00	
Sidney Beal,	" . .	7 00	
John W. Hunt,	" . .	75	
William Mulvey,	" . .	3 50	
John Manuel,	" . .	50	
Henry M. Whitney,	gravel, . .	10 75	
			$135 37

Special for Jerusalem Road.

Paid James Pettee,	labor and team,	$58 62	
Alden Beal,	" "	60 38	
Thomas Reidy,	" . .	24 50	
Daniel W. Reidy,	" . .	19 25	
Joseph F. Priest,	" . .	21 00	
Walter S. Beal,	" . .	21 00	
Richard H. Priest,	" . .	19 75	
William Reidy,	" . .	19 75	
Thomas Roche, sharpening tools,	.	85	
Henry M. Whitney,	gravel, . .	8 50	
			$253 60

AMOS E. TILDEN, Surveyor.

Border Street.

Paid Amos E. Tilden,	labor and team,	$19 35	
George M. Ennice,	" . .	21 87	
Manuel Silva,	" . .	21 87	
Antone Sydney,	" . .	21 87	
Peter Brennock,	" . .	10 00	
Gross & Nichols,	rendrock, etc., .	4 93	
			$99 89

James River.

Paid Amos E. Tilden,	labor and team,	$1 75	
George M. Ennice,	labor, . .	1 75	
Antone Sidney,	" . .	1 30	
Manuel Silva,	" . .	1 30	
Peter Brennock,	" . .	1 30	
			$7 40

Margin Street.

Paid Amos E. Tilden,	labor and team,	$2 00	
Joseph Jason,	" "	3 50	
Manuel S. Leonard,	" "	3 50	
George M. Ennice,	labor, . .	1 75	
Antone Sidney,	" . .	1 75	
Manuel Silva,	" . .	1 75	
Peter Brennock,	" . .	1 75	
Edward E. Tower,	gravel, . .	2 62	
			$18 62

South Main Street.

Paid Amos E. Tilden,	labor and team,	$8 00	
Joseph Jason,	" "	5 25	
Manuel S. Leonard,	" "	6 22	
John Howard,	labor, . .	3 50	
William Enos,	" . .	2 62	
Manuel Olivera,	" . .	1 75	
Joseph Ennice,	" . .	3 50	
Alex. W. Hayden,	" . .	75	
Edward E. Tower,	gravel, . .	2 25	
			$33 84

THOMAS BATES, Surveyor.

Beach Street.

Paid Thomas Bates,	labor and team,	$10 13	
Thomas L. Bates,	" "	13 50	
Thomas Reidy,	labor, . .	3 50	
Daniel W. Reidy,	" . .	87	
Thomas Bates,	gravel, . .	2 00	
Edward E. Tower,	" . .	2 00	
			$32 00

Pleasant Street Sidewalk.

Paid Thomas Bates,	labor and team,	$9 65	
Thomas L. Bates,	" "	20 00	
William Mulvey,	labor, . .	7 00	
Thomas Mulcahy,	" . .	5 25	
Edward E. Tower,	gravel, . .	8 10	
			$50 00

OTIS V. BARNES, Surveyor.

Paid Thomas Bates,	labor and team,	$28 36	
Thomas L. Bates,	" "	28 63	
William Mulvey,	labor, . .	8 13	
Eugene McSweeney,	" . .	7 88	
Fred James,	" . .	14 88	
Thomas Bates,	gravel, . .	12 12	
			$100 00

Selectmen as Surveyors.

Paid Town of Scituate, Bridge, Lincoln Mills, ...	$23 42	
Manuel Gracia, labor, Bridge, Lincoln Mills, ...	17 50	
Thomas Gracia, labor, Bridge, Lincoln Mills, ...	17 50	
George H. Briggs, labor, Bridge, Lincoln Mills, ...	10 00	
Amount carried forward, . . .	$68 42	

Amount brought forward, . . .	$68 42
Paid George W. Mealy, labor, Bridge, Lincoln Mills, ...	5 00
Edward E. Wentworth, labor, Bridge, Lincoln Mills, ...	11 54
Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber, Bridge, Lincoln Mills, ...	6 50
Amos E. Tilden, teaming, Bridge, Lincoln Mills, ...	7 00
Amos E. Tilden, men and team on Common, ...	47 25
Manuel S. Leonard, men and team on Common, ...	27 13
Joseph Jason, men and team on Common, ...	15 75
Thomas Bates, men and team on Common, ...	22 75
Thomas L. Bates, men and team on Common, ...	15 25
Levi L. Worrick, men and team on Common, ...	5 25
Joseph Jason, Jr., labor on Common,	10 50
Frank Silva, " "	16 62
Joseph Silva " "	10 50
George Morse, " "	12 25
James O'Brien, " "	3 50
George W. Cousens, " "	15 75
George M. Ennice, " "	15 75
Joseph Ennice, " "	15 75
William Enos, " "	14 87
Manuel Silva, " "	12 25
Antone Sidney, " "	12 25
Azel W. Drake, " "	18 00
JosephD.Hutchinson, " "	1 75
Willie Campbell, " "	17 50
C. White, " "	14 00
Thomas Powers, " "	7 00
Bela Stoddard, " "	4 50
Amount carried forward, . . .	$434 58

Amount brought forward, . . .	$434 58
Paid Edward E. Tower, gravel on Common,	38 87
Gross & Nichols, seed "	2 60
Beal's Express, " "	4 45
John J. Ainslie, labor, Straits Pond,	34 50
Geo. M. Ennice, Jr., " "	34 50
James W. Holland, " "	69 00
Michael N. Brennock," "	34 31
Cousens & Pratt, bags, "	12 40
Amos E. Tilden, teaming, "	44 50
Beal's Express, "	75
Alden Beal, teaming, "	31 75
Frank M. Nichols, smithing, "	2 40
Tower, Bro. & Co., cement, etc., Straits Pond	114 98
Rich & Lincoln, labor, Straits Pond, .	24 00
Alfred Beal, care of gate and oil; Straits Pond, ...	54 50
Joseph Breck & Son, screen, . .	8 50
Oliver H. Bates, team on Road Machine, 1885, ...	5 50
Samuel E. Pratt, team on Road Machine, 1885, ...	5 50
Henry M. Whitney, Side Hill Road, .	100 00
Henry M. Whitney, Cedar Street, . .	105 58
John N. Cook, Steep Rocks, . .	10 25
Thomas L. Bates, labor on Common, .	9 00
John C. Howe, curbstone on Common,	20 00
Tower, Bro. & Co., drain pipe on Common, ...	2 58
Galen James, trees on Common, .	17 00
Thomas Gracia, labor, So. Main St.,	6 00
Manuel Gracia, " " .	6 00
Geo. M. Ennice, " " .	4 00
J. L. Litchfield, " " .	10 00
G. T. W. Braman, blasting on J. Road,	200 00
Charles F. Tilden, drills, bars & chains,	13 50
Amount carried forward, . . .	$1,461 50

Amount brought forward, . . .	$1,461 50	
Paid Beal's Express, expressing, . .	1 25	
William Minot, rent of building, .	10 00	
Tower, Bro. & Co., drain pipe and lumber, ...	19 05	
Gross & Nichols, rendrock and fuse, .	4 00	
J. Q. A. Lothrop, services, S. Pond, Common and Highways, . .	30 00	
Philander Bates, services, S. Pond, Common and Highways, . . .	46 50	
Caleb F. Nichols, services, S. Pond, Common and Highways, . . .	30 00	
		$1,602 30
Amount of appropriation for highways, .		$4,500 00
Amount expended for highways, . .		4,610 32
Exceeded the appropriation, . . .		$110 32

Fire Department.

Fire Engine.

Paid D. W. Cushing, stove and freight, .	$11 88	
Andrew S. Jackson, supplies, 1885, .	12 25	
Gross & Nichols, crockery, etc., .	39 37	
William W. Studley, steward, . .	15 00	
Daniel Desmond, steward, . .	15 00	
Samuel Bates, oil, etc., . . .	8 54	
Lincoln Brothers, coal, . . .	10 00	
C. F. B. Tilden, horses to fire, etc., .	13 50	
Forty-four firemen, poll taxes, . .	88 00	
Charles F. Tilden, repairs, . .	4 00	
Beal's Express, ...	1 00	
		$218 54

HOOK AND LADDER.

Paid George Jason, steward,	$20 00	
Twelve Hook and Ladder members, poll taxes,	24 00	
Amos E. Tilden, horses to fire,	3 00	
Creed & Spear, entertainments,	6 08	
Charles F. Tilden, repairs,	5 50	
Tower, Bro. & Co., rigging,	1 76	
Samuel D. Tower, painting truck,	2 50	
		$62 84

HOSE CARRIAGE ON JERUSALEM ROAD.

Paid Hingham Water Company,	$100 00	
Three Hosemen, poll taxes,	6 00	
Charles L. Kettrell, cleaning hose,	2 00	
James S. Beal, rent,	10 00	
		$118 00
Fire Engine,	$218 54	
Hook and Ladder,	62 84	
		$399 38
Paid Andrew S. Jackson, hydrant supplies,		79 50

Watering Streets.

Paid Alden Beal, Jerusalem Road,	$300 00	
Charles S. Bates, Main Streets,	375 00	
Hingham Water Co., water,	75 00	
W. A. W. Tilden, labor, Pumping Station,	10 50	
Amos E. Tilden, grading,	43 00	
C. F. B. Tilden, teaming,	2 50	
Samuel Bates, repairing pump,	15 45	
Tower, Bro. & Co., drain pipe, etc.,	15 49	
J. Q. A. Lothrop, services,	5 00	
Philander Bates, "	5 00	
Caleb F. Nichols, "	5 00	
		$851 94
Amount of appropriation,		800 00
Exceeded the appropriation,		$51 94

Printing.

Paid Cohasset Cottager, Reports,	$150 00	
Cohasset Cottager, Notices, etc.,	92 75	
		$242 75
Amount of appropriation,		$200 00
Exceeded the appropriation,		$42 75

School Appropriation.

Paid Caleb Lothrop, Treasurer of Committee,	$7,750 00	
Amount of appropriation,	7,200 00	
Exceeded the apropriation,		$550 00

See Treasurer of School Committee's report.

Public Library.

Paid John W. Bates, Treasurer,	$450 00
Amount of appropriation,	$450 00

See report of Treasurer of the Free Public Library.

Town Hall.

Paid F. E. Stewart, settees,	$64 00	
Joel Goldthwait & Co., carpet,	51 15	
John B. Souther & Co., furniture,	82 00	
Beal's Express, freight and teaming,	7 75	
Amos E. Tilden, " " "	2 32	
Zaccheus Rich, labor on curtain,	7 00	
Samuel Bates, fixing stoves, etc.,	12 84	
Charles F. Tilden, iron work,	50	
Lincoln Brothers, wood,	2 25	
Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber, etc.,	18 65	
Abington Mutual Fire Insurance,	12 00	
J. Q. A. Lothrop, expenses,	5 00	
		$265 46

No appropriation.

Henry Bryant Post, G. A. R.

Paid William F. Thayer, Quartermaster, . . .	$100 00
Amount of appropriation, ...	$100 00

Expenses in Liquor Cases.

Paid Andrew H. Prouty, as Constable, .	$101 00	
William W. Apts, " " .	60 00	
N. B. Furnald, " " .	5 70	
Edw. E. Wentworth, " " .	15 00	
		$181 70

No appropriation.

Estate of Martin Beal, *vs.* The Town.

Paid Hyde, Dickinson & Howe, Counsels,	$250 00	
Lucy Ann Beal, damages and interest,	575 00	
Court fees, ...	67 40	
J. Q. A. Lothrop, expenses, . .	5 00	
		$897 40

No appropriation.

Abatements.

Abated from tax of 1881, . . .	$1 82
" " " " 1882, . . .	1 60
" " " " 1883, . . .	1 54
" " " " 1884, . . .	3 72
" " " " 1885, . . .	4 47
" " " " 1886, . . .	6 49
	$19 64

No appropriation.

State and County Tax.

Paid State Treasurer, ...	$2,790 00
County Treasurer, ...	1,893 13
	$4,683 13

State and Military Aid.

Paid Hannah F. Arnold,	$48 00	
George Arnold,	50 00	
Harriet J. Apts,	48 00	
Julia F. Henry,	48 00	
Catherine Manuel,	48 00	
Asahel F. Nott,	36 00	
Ann M. Ripley,	48 00	
Alfred Haskell,	96 00	
William F. Harris,	130 00	
Joseph Munnies,	144 00	
Warren Newcomb,	72 00	
Isaac Phinney,	144 00	
James Rooney,	96 00	
Isaac H. Tower,	72 00	
Stephen P. Lincoln,	24 00	
Daniel B. Lincoln,	20 00	
J. Foster Doane,	20 00	
		$1,144 00
Amount to be reimbursed by the State,	735 00	
" paid by the town,		$409 00

No appropriation.

Interest and Discount.

Paid Interest in 1886,	$1,031 23	
Discount "	972 90	
		$2,004 13
Amount of appropriation for interest,	$1,000 00	
" " " " discount,	1,000 00	
		$2,000 00
Amount of interest received,	105 92	
		$2,105 92
Amount unexpended,		$101 79

Town Officers.

Paid J. Q. A. Lothrop, services and expenses as Selectman and Assessor,	$248 30	
Philander Bates, Selectman and Assessor,	225 00	
Caleb F. Nichols, Selectman and Assessor,	225 00	
Abraham H. Tower, Treasurer and Collector,	200 00	
Newcomb B. Tower, Town Clerk,	35 00	
Allen C. Bates, Sealer of Weights and Measures,	50 00	
Andrew H. Prouty, Constable,	30 00	
William W. Apts, "	30 00	
John Roche, Jr., "	25 00	
Israel C. Vinal, "	20 00	
Edward E. Wentworth, "	35 00	
		$1,123 30
Amount of appropriation,		1,000 00
Exceeded the "		$123 30

Miscellaneous.

Paid John W. Brennock et al., flagstaff,	$16 00
Herbert L. Brown, pump handle,	65
Beal's Express,	7 85
Joseph St. John, postage,	18 94
William W. Apts, fish ways,	8 25
" " care of J. F. Murphy,	12 00
Thomas A. Bates, fish ways,	2 50
John W. Bates, 2d, damage to wagon,	1 00
Daniel Hudson, Jr., " "	5 50
G. P. Pratt, vaccinating children,	35 00
John H. Burdakin, copy of records,	20 00
Samuel Bates, repairing pump, etc.,	2 50
Amount carried forward,	$130 19

Amount brought forward, . . .	$130 19
Paid Patrick Downs, burying horse, . .	5 00
Ann Thomas, cleaning offices, . .	6 00
Waldo Higginson, rent B. B. ground,	50 00
William H. Beal, repairs on pump, .	1 50
Charles F. Tilden, " " .	1 85
" " " hearse, .	2 70
Zaccheus Rich, burying a child, .	5 00
" " return of deaths, .	6 25
Chas. W. Sparrell, " " .	2 00
Gross & Nichols, stationery, . .	6 25
T. L. Burbank, damage to Saw Mill,	19 67
Amos E. Tilden, horse hire, Selectmen,	11 00
" " " Assessors,	6 00
" " " Constable,	1 00
" " " Treasurer,	2 00
C. F. B. Tilden, " Constable,	3 50
Caleb F. Nichols, railroad tickets, travellers, ...	1 47
Horatio G. Pratt, labor, guide boards,	4 25
Franklin Stoddard, " "	5 00
D. W. Pratt, painting guide boards, .	7 00
" " setting glass, . .	1 00
Louis N. Lincoln, care of hall, .	10 00
" " " lockup, .	10 00
James B. Harvey, return of births, .	5 75
Frank W. Browne, chemicals, High School, ...	1 33
Tower, Bro. & Co., rope, flagstaff, .	7 60
" " " lumber, fish ways,	5 17
" " " book, . .	2 85
" " " lumber, guide b'ds,	2 92
Philander Bates, distributing reports,	6 00
Newcomb Bates, care of clock and bell,	30 00
Aaron E. Low, finding lost cattle, .	12 00
Newcomb B. Tower, Registering, births, deaths, etc., . . .	32 65
Amount carried forward, . . .	$404 90

Amount brought forward,	$404 90	
Newcomb B. Tower, services as Registrar,	13 00	
Charles F. Tilden, services as Registrar,	13 00	
John M. Damon, services as Registrar,	13 00	
C. James Pratt, services as Registrar,	13 00	
Samuel D. Tower, flagstaff,	2 12	
J. Q. A. Lothrop, water works,	11 15	
J. Q. A. Lothrop, State and Military Aid,	10 00	
J. Q. A. Lothrop, new roads,	8 00	
Philander Bates, "	8 00	
Caleb F. Nichols, "	8 00	
Andrew H. Prouty, care of J. F. Murphy,	3 00	
		$507 17
Amount of appropriation,		500 00
Exceeded the "		$7 17

Recapitulation.

To Beal case,	$897 40
High School Furniture,	299 45
Removing snow,	1,200 86
Fire Department,	519 98
Repairs of Highways,	4,610 32
Watering streets,	851 94
Printing,	242 75
School appropriation,	7,750 00
Public Library,	450 00
G. A. R. Post,	100 00
State and County tax,	4,683 13
Interest and Discount,	2,004 13
Town Hall,	265 46
Abatements,	19 64
Amount carried forward,	$23,895 06

Amount brought forward,	$23,895 06	
State and Military Aid,	1,144 00	
Liquor cases,	181 70	
Town officers,	1,123 30	
Miscellaneous,	507 17	
Overseers of Poor,	6,388 78	
		$33,240 01

Indebtedness of the Town.

JANUARY 1st, 1887.

FUNDED DEBT. (Issue of May 1, 1876.)

Cohasset Savings Bank, 4 Notes due, 1887, 1888, 1889, 1890,		$4,000 00

(Issue of April 15, 1878.)

Jas. W. Nichols, Note due 1887,	$1,000 00	
W. W. Clapp, " " 1888,	1,000 00	
W. W. Clapp, " " 1889,	1,000 00	
W. W. Clapp, " " 1890,	1,000 00	
		$4,000 00
Total funded debt,		$8,000 00

DEMAND NOTES.

Martha T. Bates,	$1,000 00	
A. H. Tower, trustee for Lothrop Heirs,	3,700 00	
		$4,700 00
Total Interest bearing debt,		$12,700 00

ASSETS OF THE TOWN, DECEMBER 31, 1886.

Due from State, for State and Military Aid,	$735 00	
State for State Paupers,	23 00	
James Dady, for wife,	414 14	
Mary J. Enos,	350 00	
Est. M. L. Mendoca, balance,	595 00	
Est. Philip Minot, "	100 00	
Mary O'Brien,	200 00	
Town of Hull,	15 62	
Balance in Treasury,	1,479 64	
		$3,912 40

Amount of Interest Bearing Debt, 1886, .	$14,700 00
Amount of Interest Bearing Debt, 1887, .	12,700 00
Reduction of Debt in 1886, . . .	$2,000 00
Amount of Interest Bearing Debt, January 1, 1887, ...	$12,700 00
Amount of Assets, January 1, 1887, .	3,912 40
Actual Debt, January 1, 1887, . . .	$8,787 60

Respectfully submitted,

J. Q. A. LOTHROP,
PHILANDER BATES,
CALEB F. NICHOLS,
Selectmen of Cohasset.

REPORT OF OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

For the year ending December 31, 1886.

Paid Frances H. Nichols, dry goods, 1885,	$44	49
" " " " "	60	74
William S. Dunbar, groceries, etc., .	13	61
Creed & Spear, " " .	270	40
Elmer E. Bates, " " .	181	51
Herbert L. Brown, " " .	115	47
Spencer H. Stoughton, butter, etc., .	32	58
W. V. Bogart, groceries, etc., .	253	49
M. B. Stetson & Co., " " .	118	15
Gross & Nichols, " " .	195	82
Caleb F. Nichols, " " .	71	24
Bourne & Nickerson, meats, . .	273	21
W. F. Thayer & Son, " . .	111	27
Antone J. Silva, fish, . .	38	93
Danforth Sylvester, " . .	67	89
Manuel Silva, " . .	7	29
Langdon W. Cook, clothing, . .	87	87
Philander Bates, boots and shoes, .	19	25
Samuel Bates, stove and tin ware, .	58	83
Lincoln Brothers, coal, . . .	77	33
Bela Stoddard, labor and stock, .	7	25
Mass. Ploughman, 3 years, . .	7	50
William H. Beal, repairs, . . .	5	30
Ziba C. Small, painting, . . .	12	75
Edward E. Wentworth, shoeing, etc.,	103	93
Rich & Lincoln, repairs, . . .	7	50
Charles F. Tilden, smithing, . .	12	50
William O. Clapp, standing grass, .	18	00
Beal's Express, ...	7	50
John Souther, standing wood, . .	10	00
William O. Souther, ice, . . .	21	63
Amount carried forward, . . .	$2,313	23

Amount brought forward,	$2,313 23	
Paid Thomas Roche, smithing in '85 and '86,	49 40	
Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber and coal,	19 30	
Amos E. Tilden, pigs,	24 00	
" " " horse hire,	22 50	
Gustavus P. Pratt, medical attendance,	17 00	
James B. Harvey, " "	17 00	
Caleb F. B. Tilden, horse to plow,	2 00	
David B. Tower, groceries,	2 85	
Isaac H. Young, salary,	300 00	
Frank Young, labor,	62 50	
George Merritt, "	15 00	
Levi L. Worrick, "	14 00	
Abner N. Bates, "	7 50	
John Ney, "	7 00	
Mary Reed, wages,	159 00	
Horatio G. Pratt, services,	25 00	
Caleb F. Nichols, "	25 00	
J. Q. A. Lothrop, "	25 00	
George W. Merritt, pasturing horse,	18 13	
		$3,125 41

Amount of Sales and Income.

By Clarence Litchfield, milk,	$107 80	
Edwin G. Stewart, poultry,	5 10	
J. Q. A. Lothrop, potatoes,	3 90	
Caleb F. Nichols, "	1 30	
D. H. Bates, rent of Vinal house,	5 00	
Creed & Spear, pork,	5 55	
Manuel Silva, 2d, interest Mendoca place,	35 70	
Levi L. Worrick, removing snow,	12 37	
Abraham H. Tower, Trustee Lothrop Fund,	175 00	
		$351 72
Debit brought forward,	$3,125 41	
Credit " "	351 72	
Almshouse debtor to balance,		$2,773 69

The following persons remain in the Almshouse Dec. 31, 1886:

Elizabeth Hudson,
Jane B. Lambert,
Augusta Silva,
Antone George,
Frances George,
John J. Lothrop, boarder.
William C. Hayden,
David Vinal,
Robert Williams,
Joseph W. Pratt,
John F. Prentiss.

Partial Support of Persons Outside of Almshouse,

With Names of Heads of Families, and Amount Paid to Each Family, for the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1886.

Paid for Julia Macomber,	$186 32
Elizabeth J. Dady,	192 41
William Kilburn,	185 84
George B. Williams,	192 72
Lot Willcutt,	180 22
Joanna Colbrith,	109 72
John F. Murphy,	18 36
Manuel Enos,	88 00
Myra Gardner,	78 00
Elizabeth Ainslie,	248 02
Mary O'Brien,	72 00
Reta Frates,	93 85
Isaac H. Tower,	149 62
Freddie Bates,	21 14
John Tyrer,	123 04
Joseph E. Smith,	90 25
Joseph Silva,	55 00
Susan Meeker,	54 50
Frank Antone,	144 69
William Hayden,	49 52
John R. Colbrith,	29 60
Mrs. Oliver Henderson,	161 25
William F. Harris,	124 72
Albert W. Spencer,	18 78
Amount carried forward,	$2,667 57

Amount brought forward,	$2,667 57	
Paid Mary A. Kent,	74 28	
Thankful R. Souther,	49 00	
Eunice Sterling,	63 20	
Henry L. Bates,	30 18	
William H. Litchfield,	15 79	
Joseph F. Martin,	197 92	
Mary L. McGrath,	8 00	
Alice Burnham,	5 00	
Medical attendance,	18 00	
Overseers of the Poor,	134 43	
		$3,263 37

Payments have been made to the following persons, on account of assistance rendered to parties outside of Almshouse for the year:

Paid Worcester Lunatic Hospital,	$186 32	
" Asylum Chronic Insane,	192 41	
Taunton Lunatic Hospital,	686 86	
Orders on the Treasury,	477 00	
Lincoln Brothers, coal,	63 27	
James B. Harvey, Medical attendance,	38 00	
Mary J. Enos, nursing Mrs. Martin,	40 00	
Mary L. Gracia, " "	18 00	
Edwin Souther, milk, "	3 65	
Southward Pratt, fish, "	92	
Gustavus P. Pratt, Medical attendance,	70 00	
Frank W. Browne, medicine,	24 10	
Tower, Bros. & Co., coal,	107 84	
Philander Bates, shoes and boots,	92 75	
Bourne & Nickerson, meats,	124 07	
William F. Thayer, Mrs. Frates,	33 85	
Cohasset Clothing Store, clothing,	26 15	
Gross & Nichols, John Tyrer,	123 04	
Herbert L. Brown, groceries,	38 99	
Elmer E. Bates, "	120 25	
Thomas W. Whitcomb, wood for Mrs. Meeker,	3 00	
Amount carried forward,	$2,470 47	

Amount brought forward, . . .	$2,470 47	
Paid John E. F. Frates, milk, Frank Antone, ...	5 25	
Gross & Nichols, J. R. Colbrith, .	12 58	
Beal's Express, ...	50	
City of Newburyport, Mrs. Henderson,	161 25	
Town of Templeton, W. F. Harris, .	43 72	
City of Lowell, " " .	72 00	
City of Taunton, A. W. Spencer, .	18 78	
City of Boston, Kent, Souther, and Sterling, ...	186 48	
Town of Hingham, H. L. Bates, .	30 18	
H. A. Seaverns & Co., W. H. Litchfield, ...	3 00	
Town of Scituate, W. H. Litchfield, .	3 00	
Richard H. Priest, A. Burnham, .	5 00	
J. Q. A. Lothrop, services and exps.,	75 48	
Caleb F. Nichols, " "	29 30	
Horatio G. Pratt, " "	29 65	
Caleb F. Nichols, groceries, . .	60 78	
Creed & Spear, " . .	35 95	
Lot W. Bates, rent for J. E. Smith, .	20 00	
		$3,263 37
Amounts to be reimbursed to the Town:		
From James Dady, for his wife, . .	$192 41	
Town of Hingham, . . .	78 00	
State of Massachusetts, . . .	23 00	
		$293 41
Amount for Almshouse, ...	$3,125 41	
Amount for outside, ...	3,263 37	
Total amount drawn from Treasury, . .		$6,388 78
By Almshouse Credits, ...	$351 72	
By outside Credits, ...	293 41	
		$645 13
Total Cost of Poor for the year, . .	$5,743 65	
Amount of appropriation, . . .	5,000 00	
Exceeded the appropriation, . . .		$743 65

The Overseers of the Poor concluded they would leave out the inventory of the stock and goods in the Almshouse, and give to the town the actual cost of supporting the inmates the past year, as it seemed to them to be useless and not giving the true statement. The cost of the Almshouse is very high this year, and in some manner should be made less another year. The leaving out the inventory has made it show at its worst, but it gives the true account of the amount expended. If the inventory had been added it would undoubtedly show a reduction of from three to five hundred dollars on the cost as reported. There has been paid $106.00 for labor on the farm. It is a question whether or not it is good policy for the Overseers of the Poor to have any more work done on the farm than can be done by the keeper, except what may be actually necessary to get the crops. There has been raised on the farm this year 250 bushels of potatoes, 225 of which were on hand January 1, and 50 bushels of corn, 15 tons of hay, a part of which will be sold in the spring.

In order to give the town some idea of the stock on the farm, January 1st, we give the following list, without carrying out any value:

3 Horses.	50 bush. Corn.
5 Cows.	6 bush. Beans.
1 Heifer.	210 lbs. fresh Beef.
1 Bull.	200 " corned "
2 Yearlings.	100 " Hams.
4 Pigs.	75 " Shoulder.
225 bush. Potatoes.	2½ bbls. Salt Pork.
10 tons English Hay.	75 lbs. Lard.
6 tons Salt Hay.	50 Hens.

The farm wagons, tools, harnesses and household furniture and utensils in house remain about the same as last year.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Q. A. LOTHROP,
CALEB F. NICHOLS,
HORATIO G. PRATT,
Overseers of the Poor of Cohasset.

Dr. Town of Cohasset in Account with

1886-1887.

To paid Selectmen's Orders, drawn to date,	$17,172 09
State Aid and relief of Indigent Soldiers and Sailors,	1,144 00
Town Aid to Families,	468 00
Appropriation for School Teaching, Fuel, and repairs of School-houses,	7,000 00
Additional Orders on School Account,	750 00
Massachusetts School Fund, Ripley Fund and Dog Licenses (1885) for Schools,	266 01
Abatement of Taxes,	19 64
Discount on Taxes for 1886,	972 95
State of Massachusetts Tax for 1886,	2,790 00
County of Norfolk Tax for 1886,	1,893 13
Cohasset Savings Bank, funded note, due 1886,	1,000 00
Ira B. Pratt, funded note, due 1886,	500 00
W. W. Clapp, funded note, due 1886,	500 00
Money hired in anticipation of taxes,	13,000 00
Interest on Town's Notes,	1,031 23
	$48,507 05
Balance in Treasury,	1,479 64
	$49,986 69

COHASSET, January 17, 1887.

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We have examined the foregoing account of the Treasurer, and find it correctly cast and properly vouched

J. Q. A. LOTHROP,
PHILANDER BATES,
CALEB F. NICHOLS,
Selectmen of Cohasset.

Abraham H. Tower, Treasurer. Cr.

1886-1887.

By Balance in Treasury from former account,	$2,691 94
Received of Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Corporation Tax for 1885, additional,	51 77
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Corporation Tax for 1886,	5,953 48
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, National Bank Tax for 1886,	4,447 30
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, State Aid for 1886,	686 00
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, State Paupers for 1887,	23 00
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Income Mass. School Fund, 1885,	19 54
County of Norfolk, for Dog Licenses, 1885,	203 52
Town of Hingham, Aid to Myra Gardner, 1886,	78 00
James Dady, support of wife at Insane Asylum, 1885,	179 02
Cohasset Mut. Fire Ins. Co., office rent, 1886,	60 00
Manuel Sylvia, 2d, Interest on note,	35 70
M. & M. J. Enos, Interest on mortgage note,	9 00
Interest on Bank Deposits and fees on delinquent taxes,	105 92
Interest on Ripley Fund, 1886,	48 05
Louis N. Lincoln, Income of Town Hall,	37 00
Isaac H. Young, Almshouse sales of produce, and work, etc.,	141 02
A. H. Tower, Trustee, for support of John J. Lothrop at Almshouse, 1886,	175 00
Philander Bates, for mud sold from Meeting-house Pond,	10 67
Maverick National Bank, hired money,	5,000 00
Cohasset Savings Bank, " "	8,000 00
Amount of Tax-list for 1886,	22,030 76
	$49,986 69

ABRAHAM H. TOWER, *Treasurer.*

Town of Cohasset in Account with the School Committee.

1886. *Dr.*

High School.

Teaching.

Paid Arthur Stanley,	$1,200 00	
Miss D. S. Lothrop,	600 00	
		$1,800

Fuel, etc.

W. B. Nichols, janitor,	$22 50	
Levi Nichols, "	15 00	
Herbert P. Brown, "	30 00	
Lincoln Bros., coal and wood,	45 93	
Tower, Bro. & Co., coal,	42 27	
S. J. Hayden, labor on wood,	3 00	
Mrs. J. F. Henry, cleaning,	16 75	
Gross & Nichols, supplies,	86	
M. B. Stetson & Co., wood,	5 50	
		181 81

Repairs, etc.

Samuel Bates, furnace, etc.,	223 18	
Ziba C. Small, painting, etc.,	13 41	
Thomas Willcutt, carpentering,	7 50	
Bela Stoddard, mason,	6 30	
W. B. Nichols, labor on desks,	3 60	
George W. Mealy, gravel,	3 50	
S. J. Hayden, cleaning vaults,	2 75	
		260 24

North School.

Teaching.

Paid Miss Myra W. Bates,	340 00	
" Susie L. Stoddard,	300 00	
		640 00

Fuel, etc.

Paid Tower, Bro. & Co., coal,	$32 59	
Levi Tower, janitor,	22 50	
Mrs. J. F. Henry, cleaning,	12 00	
		$67 09

Repairs, etc.

Ziba C. Small, painting,	13 77	
Samuel Bates, repairing stoves, etc.,	19 05	
Bela Stoddard, mason,	7 63	
Thomas Willcutt, carpentering,	3 75	
W. H. H. Hancock, repairing clock in 1885,	75	
		44 95

CENTRE SCHOOL.

Teaching.

Miss Annie A. Souther,	340 00	
" Sarah E. Fox,	300 00	
		640 00

Fuel, etc.

Lincoln Bros., coal,	36 32	
S. J. Hayden, labor on wood,	5 04	
Tower, Bro. & Co., wood,	2 75	
S. J. Hayden, janitor,	7 00	
Lawrence Willard, janitor,	12 00	
Mrs. T. Mulcahy, cleaning,	9 00	
Gross & Nichols, supplies,	1 85	
M. B. Stetson & Co., wood,	2 75	
		76 71

Repairs, etc.

Tower, Bro. & Co., shingles, etc.,	40 67	
Thomas Willcutt, carpentering,	23 75	
W. A. W. Tilden, "	2 00	
Samuel Bates, repairing stoves, etc.,	14 61	
Squire S. Gove, work in 1882,	50	
Ziba C. Small, glazing, etc.,	2 48	
W. H. H. Hancock, repairing clock in 1885,	75	
S. J. Hayden, labor,	1 13	
		86 09

SOUTH SCHOOL.

Teaching.

Paid Miss Josie L. Vinal,	$340 00	
" Myra L. Beal,	300 00	
		$640 00

Fuel, etc.

Lincoln Bros., coal,	44 13	
C. Jas. Nichols, wood,	8 75	
Daniel Ryan, labor on wood,	3 00	
S. J. Hayden, " " " and snow	4 50	
Daniel Ryan, janitor,	20 00	
S. J. Hayden, "	8 00	
Mrs. Jos. Nichols, cleaning,	10 00	
Mrs. Jas. Rooney, "	1 76	
M. B. Stetson & Co., wood,	5 50	
		105 64

Repairs, etc.

Samuel Bates, repairing stoves, etc.,	12 58	
Ziba C. Small, glazing, etc.,	3 75	
S. J. Hayden, cleaning vaults,	2 75	
W. A. W. Tilden, carpentering,	4 36	
S. J. Hayden, labor,	1 12	
W. H. H. Hancock, repairing clock in 1885,	75	
		25 31

BEECHWOOD SCHOOL.

Teaching.

Paid Lot. W. Bates,	450 00	
Miss Georgiana Bates,	300 00	
		750 00

Fuel, etc.

Lot. W. Bates, wood,	71 00	
Jas. H. Morris, janitor to Mar. 1st,	20 00	
Caroline Morris, " " Jan. 1, '87,	15 50	
Lot. W. Bates, cleaning,	8 00	
		114 50

Repairs, etc.

Paid Ziba C. Small, glazing, etc.,	$3 75	
Lot. W. Bates, labor,	2 00	
Chas. H. Wood, use of well,	2 00	
		$7 75

INTERMEDIATE.

Teaching.

Paid Miss Lizzie C. Bates,		340 00

Fuel, etc.

Lincoln Bros., wood,	2 00	
Stephen R. Nichols, janitor,	5 00	
Mrs. Mulcahy, cleaning,	3 00	
Gross & Nichols, supplies,	30	
		10 30

Repairs, etc

E. N. Barker, rent of room,	40 00	
E. N. Barker, 3 y's rent of playground,	15 00	
E. N. Barker, painting floor,	5 00	
Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber, etc.,	12 33	
Samuel Bates, supplies,	3 57	
Ziba C. Small, painting,	4 75	
		80 65

HARBOR SCHOOL.

Teaching.

Paid Miss Priscilla L. Collier,		300 00

Fuel, etc.

Tower, Bro. & Co., coal and wood,	10 40	
Harry G. Studley, janitor,	2 16	
Solomon J. Hayden, "	3 50	
Frank Willcutt, "	2 00	
S. J. Hayden, labor on wood,	2 76	
Mrs. F. Thomas, cleaning,	8 00	
Mrs. Jas. Rooney, "	88	
Creed & Spear, supplies,	1 60	
Gross & Nichols, chloride of lime,	15	
		31 45

Repairs, etc.

Paid Samuel Bates, reparing stoves, etc.,	$9 35	
Ziba C. Small, glazing,	1 37	
Squire S. Gove, work in 1883,	88	
Joseph Battles, carpentering,	50	
Tower, Bro. & Co., hinges,	40	
		$12 50

JERUSALEM SCHOOL.

Teaching.

Paid Miss Annie Fox,		340 00

Fuel, etc.

Lincoln Bros, wood,	39 00	
Care of room,	11 00	
Cleaning room,	4 50	
C. E. West, supplies,	1 60	
		56 10

Repairs, etc.

Ziba C. Small, painting, etc.,	4 00	
Samuel Bates, hardware,	2 86	
Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber,	1 65	
		8 51

KING STREET SCHOOL.

Teaching.

Paid Miss Martha P. Bates,		340 00

Fuel, etc.

Harry W. Burbank, wood,	14 00	
Jas. McCormick, labor on wood,	1 00	
Jas. McCormick, janitor,	10 00	
Mrs. McCormick, cleaning,	5 00	
		30 00

Repairs, etc.

Paid Samuel Bates,	$4 25	
W. H. H. Hancock, repairing clock,	75	
		$5 00

MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid sundry bills for books and stationery,		457 58
Rev. Joseph Osgood, supt., to April 1, 1886,	$200 00	
Rev. Joseph Osgood, services supplying schools,	50 00	
C. Lothrop, treasurer,	50 00	
Israel C. Vinal, truant officer in 1885,	12 00	
E. E. Wentworth, truant officer in 1884 and 1885,	14 00	
Chas. L. Kittrell, truant officer,	5 00	
Andrew H. Prouty, truant officer, 1885 and 1886,	10 00	
Joseph Dixon Crucible Co., sharpeners,	50	
Thomas Hall, microscope, etc.,	25 41	
Beal's Express,	16 20	
C. F. B. Tilden, carriage hire to April 1, 1886,	12 00	
Car fares to January 1, 1887, of school children from Jerusalem District,	35 49	
Fares to July 1, 1886, of children from Beechwood District,	80 00	
Dr. J. B. Harvey, vaccinating school children,	5 00	
Dr. J. B. Harvey, taking school census, 1885 and 1886,	8 00	
Old Colony R. R., freight,	4 56	
Geo. F. King & Merrill, slating,	24 00	
J. L. Hammett, revolving stand,	13 20	
Postage stamps, etc.,	25	
Edwin F. Souther, bookcase, High School,	18 00	
W. W. Wade, tuning piano one year,	5 00	
		$588 61

RECAPITULATION.

Paid for teaching,	$5,790 00	
Fuel, care of rooms, etc.,	673 60	
Repairs, etc., on School Houses,	531 00	
Books and stationery,	457 58	
Miscellaneous,	588 61	
		$8,040 79
Balance unexpended,		1 01
		$8,041 80

CREDIT.

By Balance unexpended in 1885,	$21 39	
Amount appropriated for teaching, fuel, care of rooms, etc.,	5,700 00	
Amount appropriated for repairs, salary of superintendent, treasurer of school committee, school books, etc.,	1,500 00	
Amount of Massachusetts school fund in 1885,	19 54	
Amount of dog licenses in 1885,	203 52	
Interest on Ripley fund in 1885,	42 95	
Cash received for books sold,	4 40	
Orders on Town Treasurer to cover deficiency,	550 00	
		$8,041 80

C. LOTHROP, *Treasurer for the School Committee.*

Approved:

DR. J. B. HARVEY.
REV. J. W. SAVAGE,
HERBERT O. BEALE, *School Committee.*

Estimated amounts recommended by the Selectmen to be appropriated and raised by taxation for the ensuing year.

For payment of debt,	$2,000 00
" interest,	1,000 00
" discount on taxes,	1,000 00
Support of Schools,	5,700 00
Repairs of School Houses, School books, and salary of Treasurer,	1,700 00
Support of the poor,	5,000 00
Removing snow,	800 00
Watering streets,	800 00
Cohasset Water Works,	1,500 00
Repairs of highways.	4,500 00
Town officers.	1,100 00
Printing,	250 00
Fire Department,	400 00
Public Library,	450 00
G. A. R. Post,	100 00
Miscellaneous,	500 00
	$26,800 00
Estimated amount to be received from Bank and Corporation taxes and unpaid taxes in 1887,	7,000 00
Amount to be raised by taxation,	$19,800 00

Table of Aggregates.

Valuation of Real Estate, 1885,	$1,932,748 00
Valuation of Personal Estate, 1885,	1,117,724 00
Total Valuation in 1885,	$3,050,472 00
Valuation of Real Estate, 1886,	$1,975,666 00
Valuation of Personal Estate, 1886,	1,226,436 00
Total Valuation in 1886,	$3,202,102 00

Increase of Real Estate in 1886,		$42,918 00
Increase of Personal Estate in 1886,		108,712 00
Total Increase,		$151,630 00
Number of polls in 1885,		598
Number of polls in 1886,		608
Increase,		10
Tax on polls and estates.		$22,030 76
State tax,	$2,790 00	
County tax,	1,893 13	
Town grant,	17,050 00	
Overlayings,	297 63	
		$22,030 76
Rate per cent. on $1,000,		$6 50
Number of dwellings in 1886,		579
" horses in 1886,		251
" cows,		310
" sheep,		31
" neat cattle,		74
" swine,		56
" acres taxed,		5,946½
" tax payers,		955
" persons taxed on property,		685
" persons paying poll tax only,		270

List of Jurymen

Drawn During the Year Ending December 31, 1886.

February 8.	Willie F. Thayer,	Supreme J. Court.
March 24.	Thomas D. Blossom,	Grand Juror.
April 17.	Morgan B. Stetson,	Superior Court.
" 2.	John M. Damon,	" "
August 31.	Samuel E. Pratt,	" "
September 20.	Joseph S. Bigelow,	" "
November 29.	Orlando Curtis,	" "
December 20.	Joseph W. Litchfield,	" "

List of Jurors,

To be revised and accepted by the Town, at its next Annual Town Meeting, to be held March 7, 1887.

Francis P. Appleton,
William W. Apts,
Abraham J. Antone,
Ezra Brown,
Samuel P. Bates,
Charles V. Barnes,
Zaccheus L. Beal,
James W. Bell,
John Bryant,
Philander Bates,
Loring Bates,
Alden Beal,
J. Foster Doane,
Edward E. Ellms,
Jesse C. Hayden,
John L. Pratt,
James Pettee,
Andrew J. Souther,
Charles H. Willard,
Eben James,
Stephen D. Farrar,
Winthrop Knight,
A. Bradford Litchfield,
Charles L. Kettrell,
Elisha Lincoln,
J. Q. A. Lothrop,
Levi L. Nichols,
Caleb F. Nichols,
John T. Otis,
Horatio G. Pratt,
C. James Pratt,
Aaron Pratt,
Daniel W. Pratt,
John Roche, Jr.,
Ziba C. Small,
Abraham H. Tower.

ARTICLES TO BE IN TOWN WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING,

MARCH 7, 1887.

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

ART. 2. To act upon the Reports of the Librarian and Treasurer of the Public Library, Selectmen, Overseers of the Poor, Treasurer, Treasurer of School Committee, and School Committee.

ART. 3. To choose all Town Officers required by law and Town By-Laws.

ART. 4. What sums of money will the Town raise and appropriate for the Payment of the Debt, Interest and Discount, Repairs of Highways, Support of the Poor and Schools, Repairs of School Houses, Public Library, Watering Streets, Decorating Soldiers' and Sailors' Graves, and all other necessary charges and expenses for the current year. Also, will the Town authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to hire money in anticipation of the taxes, and to pay State and Military Aid.

ART. 5. In what manner will the Town collect the Taxes the current year, and at what time shall they be paid into the Treasury.

ART. 6. To hear the Report of Selectmen on Guide-Boards, and act thereon.

ART. 7. Will the Town accept the List of Jurors as prepared and posted by the Selectmen.

ART. 8. Will the Town cause the Financial Report to be printed and distributed in the month of February, 1888.

ART. 9. To hear and act upon the Report of any Committee.

ART. 10. Shall Licenses be granted for the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors in the Town the current year, in accordance with Chap. 100, Sec. 5, of the Public Statute.

ART. 11. To fix the compensation of the Collector of Taxes for the current year.

ART. 12. Will the Town authorize the Selectmen to purchase for the use of the Town, one thousand feet of fire hose, hose wagon, and to provide a suitable building to keep them, and appropriate money to pay for the same, or act thereon.

ART. 13. Will the Town authorize the Selectmen to purchase one or more Water Fountains for the use of the Town, and appropriate money to pay for the same, or act thereon.

ART. 14. Will the Town authorize the Selectmen to purchase for the Town, the estate of the late Samuel Hall, or act thereon.

ART. 15. Will the Town take any action in regard to the Old Tombs in the Central Cemetery.

ART. 16. Will the Town make any arrangements in relation to Purchasing Land for a New Cemetery, or act thereon.

ART. 17. Will the Town accept of the Road as laid out by the Selectmen from North Main Street to Railroad Station upon the petition of James H. Bouvé and Waldo Higginson, and others, or act thereon, and if accepted appropriate money to build the same.

ART. 18. Will the Town accept of the Road, as laid out by the Selectmen, from Margin Street near Thomas T. Spear's to Margin Street near Andrew J. Studley's, upon the petition of Manuel P. Valine and others, or act thereon, and if accepted appropriate money to build the same.

ART. 19. Will the Town take any measures to alter or improve the Town Hall, or act thereon.

LIST OF

MARRIAGES, BIRTHS AND DEATHS,

Registered in Cohasset, during the Year 1886.

PREPARED BY THE TOWN CLERK.

MARRIAGES.

Date.	NAMES.	Residence.	Where and by whom Married.
1886.			
Jan. 3	William Mulvey	Cohasset	Married in Boston by Rev. Nicholas J. Murpheys.
	Maggie L. Devine	Boston	
" 24	Samuel L. Stoddard	Rockland	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.
	Emily F. B. Morris	Scituate	
Mar. 20	William R. Rogers	Georget'n, Me.	Married in Cohasset by Rev. John W. Savage.
	Julia A. Stewart	Cohasset	
April 6	Willie F. Thayer	Cohasset	Married in Cohasset by Rev. John W. Savage.
	Georgiana W. Gardner	"	
" 7	Cyrus W. Wood	Cohasset	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.
	Martha F. Curtis	"	
" 22	Robinson Craven	Cohasset	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Harlan Page.
	Addie L. Wood	"	
" 25	Patrick J. Lyons	Cohasset	Married in Hingham by Rev. Gerald Fagan.
	Margaret E. Henry	"	
May 12	William L. Peirce	Scituate	Married in Scituate by Rev. T. W. Sheppard.
	Alice A. Veale	Cohasset	
" 16	George A. Hardwick	Cohasset	Married in Cohasset by Aaron Pratt, Esq.
	Amy C. Brown	Scituate	
" 19	Grenville D. Braman	Cohasset	Married in Boston by Rev. Edward A. Horton.
	Nellie H. Braman	Boston	
June 13	Joseph F. Sylvia	Cohasset	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.
	Delfina C. Sylvia	"	
" 16	Patrick Mulcahy	Cohasset	Married in Boston by Rev. Charles F. Glennen.
	Bridget Kelly	Boston	
July 1	Frederick L. Lincoln	Cohasset	Married in Cohasset by Rev. John W. Savage.
	Mary A. Ward	Nova Scotia	
" 8	John Bates	Cohasset	Married in Cohasset by Rev. John W. Savage.
	Minnie E. Thayer	"	
" 31	Walter T. Spear	Cohasset	Married in Woodstock, Vt., by Rev. Moses Kidder.
	Nellie F. Eaton	Woodstock, Vt.	
Aug. 18	Frank E. Winslow	Cohasset	Married in Boston by Rev. John Hood.
	Olive F. Studley	"	

MARRIAGES.— Continued.

Date.	NAMES.	Residence.	Where and by whom married.
1886.			
Sept. 30	Daniel W. Pratt Edith A. Phelan	Cohasset Boston	Married in Boston by Rev. J. W. Hamilton.
Oct. 22	Bartholomew Daley Nellie A. Cronican	Hingham Cohasset	Married in Cohasset by Rev. M. J. Phelan.
" 24	Arthur C. Litchfield Carrie G. Pratt	Cohasset "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. John W. Savage.
" 24	Edward Ward Bridget T. Quinn	Scituate "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. M. J. Phelan.
" 26	Cornelius Kenny Mary A. Hackett	Cohasset "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. M. J. Phelan.
Nov. 21	George W. Gardner Hattie W. Treadway	Weymouth "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. John H. Allen.
" 24	Arthur W. Elliot Irene G. Farrington	Nova Scotia Cohasset	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.
Dec. 4	Herbert M. Merritt Mary E. Compton	Scituate Cohasset	Married in Scituate by Rev. T. W. Sheppard.

Twenty-four marriages were registered in this town during the year 1886, as per list above.

BIRTHS.—1886.

Date.	NAMES.	Parents' Name.	Mothers' M. N.	Place of Birth.
Jan. 4	Michael James Haley	Matthew and Ellen	Fenety	Pleasant Street.
" 8	Joseph Thomas Mannix	Michael and Delia	Mahoney	Border Street.
" 11	Arthur Edward Parker	Edward H. and Fannie M.	Stebbins	Cedar Street.
" 14	Clara Adele Mapes	George B. and Carrie E.	Griffin	Margin Street.
" 14	Ralph Willard Burnham	George and Irene E.	Brown	Pleasant Street.
" 17	Minot Pratt	John J. A. and Mary F.	Antoine	Beechwood Street.
" 23	Ezekiel Pratt	Gustavus P. and M. Miranda	Pratt	No. Main Street.
Feb. 8	Julia Lillian Lee	William and Julia	Hastings	James' Lane.
" 15	Edna Florence Bates	Elmer E. and Myra E.	Bates	Beechwood Street.
" 18	Charles Oliveria	Manuel and Marianna C.	Diaz	Margin Street.
" 18	—— Newcomb	Edward H. and Grace G.	Studley	So. Main Street.
Mar. 20	Anth'ny Law'nce McMahon	Henry L. and Jane E.	Rafferty	" "
" 28	Elsie Hepsibah Bates	Lot W. and Sarah J	Conley	Beechwood Street.
Apr. 1	Harry Herbert Reed	William H. and Catherine	Logan	" "
" 12	Ambrose Francis Frates	John E. F. and Louisa	Mulvey	Margin Street.
May 17	Percy Gray Sargent	George F. and Sarah M.	Bates	Beechwood Street.
June 3	Grace Annie Collier	E. Pomeroy and Ella B.	Sargent	Beach Street.
" 6	Elwood Francis Ainslie	Atwood I. and Sarah	Haskell	Beechwood Street.
" 7	Edith Louise Thayer	George T. and Emma F.	Wade	So. Main Street.
" 14	Sarah Frances Munnies	George F. and Mary A.	Cassidy	Beechwood Street.
" 21	Roberta Eddy	William and Ella J.	Pratt	So. Main Street.
" 26	Mary Josephine Mulcahy	Thomas F. and Mary	Green	Pleasant Street.
July 19	Whitman King Coffin	Freeman C. and Janet A.	Lighthall	Summer Street.
" 20	John Rhoderique	John and Mary	Lawrence	Beechwood Street.
Aug. 1	Joseph Gordon Enos	Joseph S. and Eliza A.	Antoine	Spring Street.
" 23	Philip O'Sullivan	Daniel and Mary	Viger	No. Main Street.
" 23	Jenny Frances Roche	Thomas and Annie	Ahearn	" "
" 27	Frances Antoine	George E. and Mary E.	Smith	Beechwood Street.
Sept. 1	Laura Agnes Enos	Manuel S. and Alice	Antoine	Elm Street.
" 5	Maggie Ellen Mattie	Thomas and Margaret	Delorey	Margin Street.
" 7	Ethelind Howe Ripley	Edward F. and Roberta	Nichols	Winter Street.
" 7	Joseph Henry Sylvia	Manuel and Isabel	Taylor	Church Street.
" 15	Alice Viola Thayer	Willie F. and Georgianna W.	Gardner	No. Main Street.
" 18	Milda Amelia Priest	Richard H. and Milda	Blondell	Walnut Hill.
" 23	Ella Crane Valine	Manuel P. and Sarah E.	Antoine	Margin Street.
Oct. 14	Morton Crehore	Morton S. and Alicia V.	Stuart	" "
" 25	Mary Ellen Sheridan	Thomas F. and Ellen E.	Mulcahy	James' Lane.
Nov. 2	Priscilla Nute Souther	Edwin F. and Elizabeth H.	Hobill	Pembroke.
" 13	Arthur Herbert Brown	Herbert L. and Flora E.	Wood	Beechwood Street.
" 25	—— Cushing	Louis T. and Mary R.	Johnson	So. Main Street.
Dec. 22	—— Williams	Samuel L. and Augusta	Burbank	King Street.
" 29	—— Knight	Winthrop and Mary L.	Beal	Hull Street.

The above list of births, containing forty-two names, is equally divided in regard to the sex — twenty-one being males and twenty-one females.

American Parentage	23
Foreign Parentage	7
American Father and Foreign Mother	5
Foreign Father and American Mother	7

DEATHS. — 1886.

Date.	NAMES.	Age. Y.	M.	D.	Cause of Death.	Place of Death
Jan. 2	Ann J. Litchfield	77	3	26	Senile Dementia	Margin St.
" 21	1Thomas F. Reedy	22	1	18	Phthisis Pulmonalis	No. Main St.
" 31	2Mary J. Ennice	18	4	19	Pneumonia	Margin St.
Feb. 4	M. Lizzie (Martin) Snow	44	10	..	Cancer	Elm St.
" 15	John Bates	69	2	9	Pneumonia	No. Main St.
Mar. 8	2Jochin L. Diaz	79	1	7	Paralysis of Heart	Border St.
" 13	George Crocker	60	4	5		" "
" 28	2Louisa I. Rose	85	2	..	General Debility	Margin St.
May 6	Anna Lincoln	84	11	..	Heart Disease	So. Main St.
June 14	Ruth (Snow) Litchfield	73	..	..	Diabetes	" "
July 9	3Charles Marsh	56	8	3	Apoplexy	Jerusalem R'd
" 22	—— Beeler	..	..	..	Stillborn	Beechwood St.
" 26	Joanna (Barnes) Hall	85	4	..	Gastritis	No. Main St.
Aug. 9	2Joseph F. Martin	81	8	21	Asthma	Border St.
" 24	Warren Nichols	91	..	4	Gangrene	Jerusalem R'd
" 26	2Charles Oliveria	..	6	8	Cholera Infantum	Margin St.
Sept. 2	Samuel L. Jenkins	74	..	..	Yellow Atrophy of Liver	Summer St.
" 3	Caroline A. Brown	25	3	..	Nephraitic Abscess	No. Main St.
" 10	Isaac Kent	90	3	19	Old Age	Summer St.
" 19	3Francis C. Welch	4	11	7	Dysentery	So. Main St.
" 24	John B. Barnes	76	..	..	Cystitis	No. Main St.
Oct. 2	Susan (Souther) Beal	81	11	8	Inertia of Heart	Summer St.
" 3	3Eunice M. Weeks	76	7	..	Asthenia	Jerusalem R'd
" 6	4Mararet Reedy	49	..	..	Phthisis Pulmonalis	No. Main St.
" 17	3Morton Crehore	..	..	3	Heart Disease	Margin St
" 20	2Ella Crane Valine	..	1	..	Debility	" "
" 24	4William H. Reedy	20	..	..	Phthisis Pulmonalis	No. Main St.
" 24	Galen James	52	4	23	Pneumonia	King St.
Nov. 13	1Matthew Mulvey	69	10	3	Chronic Bronchitis	Jerusalem R'd
" 30	James H. Morris	61	3	..	Angina Pectoris	Beechwood St.
Dec. 5	Squire S. Gove	72	4	22	Paralysis	Border St.
" 28	Lizzie A. Dyer	22	2	..	Phthisis Pulmonalis	Beechwood St.
" 31	Hosea U. Wood	52	8	..	Gastric Ulcer	" "
" 31	Joseph H. Sylvia	..	3	24	Scrofula	Church St.

1. Buried at Quincy. 2. Buried at Scituate.
3. " " Mt. Auburn. 4. " " Hingham.

There were thirty-four deaths in town during the year 1886, the average age reaching the large number of 51 years, 8 months, 23 days.

In the above list of the same it will be noticed that fourteen of the number were upwards of 70 years of age; seven were upwards of 80 years of age; and two were upwards of 90 years of age. Six were under 5 years of age; none between 5 and 18; five between 18 and 26; none between 26 and 44; five between 44 and 50; and four between 60 and 70.

The following list contains the names, etc., of those whose bodies have been brought to this town for interment during the year.

DEATHS. — 1886.

Date.		NAMES.	Age.			Place of Death.
			Y.	M.	D.	
January	18	George W. Parker.....	57	6	..	Boston.
"	31	Hannah S. Beal.....	68	8	17	do.
March	5	Ruth J. Oakes.....	75	..	..	do.
May	20	Mattie J. Jensen.....	28	5	22	do.
September	3	George W. Collier.....	77	..	..	New Orleans.

N. B. TOWER, *Town Clerk.*

REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF COHASSET,

FOR THE YEAR 1886.

The School Committee of Cohasset respectfully submit the following as their annual report to the citizens of the Town:

The last annual report might be adopted as representing the condition and progress of the Schools for the current year, as there has been no change of teachers or of text-books or of methods in school work. If the people should desire the return of Rev. Mr. Osgood to the Superintendence of the Schools he will find that his preferences in school management have been honored since his retirement from office.

The anticipated progress has been made by the pupils, and harmony has prevailed between the teachers and scholars in most of the schools. Some few cases of disobedience and truancy requiring unusual discipline have been referred to the committee, but the unusual discipline being administered, the acts of disobedience were not repeated.

The schools would show far more efficient work if the parents would make reasonable efforts to guard the children against irregular attendance and truancy. The opinion is far too prevalent that a scholar's absence from school for a few days makes little if any difference in the results of the year, while it cannot be but obvious, to those who give the matter attention, that the pupils who stand the tests and take good rank are almost invariably those who are rarely absent from their places in school. Teachers

are frequently blamed for not accomplishing more when they are at times compelled to spend their strength upon classes which are only half represented.

No class was graduated from the High School last summer. Only one of the pupils had made sufficient progress to become entitled to a diploma, and she expressed a desire to pursue her studies further before graduation. This lack of preparation is by no means to be charged to the teachers in the High School. Its explanation is in the irregular attendance of the pupils, and in the slovenly mental habits acquired under other influences than those which are found in the schools.

At the close of the spring term the candidates for admission to the High School were required to pass a faithful and rigorous examination in the studies of the preceding year. The results disappointed some of the applicants. One lad whose mark fell somewhat below the required 60 per cent. was nevertheless admitted upon his promise that he would do faithful work, and upon the desire of his teacher that indulgence be granted him by the committee. He kept his promise for a few weeks but the power of bad habit proved too strong for him, and he failed to maintain himself in the class.

The High School has been furnished with new desks, according to the vote at the annual town meeting. A furnace has also been provided as the school-rooms were insufficiently heated during the cold weather, and the room occupied by the stove was needed. The large school-room now presents a clean and attractive appearance as contrasted with its condition before the changes were made. Improvements involving considerable expense were made in the outbuildings connected with the school, and in grading necessary to a better condition of those buildings. New blackboards have been provided for the schools, and the committee would have provided new wall-maps for some of the rooms, but hesitated to risk greater expenditure for the year which this report is designed to cover.

It was voted, conditionally, at the last town meeting, that the sum of $1,000 be appropriated to build a school-house for the Intermediate School. The sum named was not sufficient to warrant procedure in the work indicated. The committee esteemed it fortunate that they were able to hire Bates Hall for the use of the school. The location is central, the room is commodious and well lighted, and the terms moderate for rent and fuel. It seemed little short of inhumanity to confine the children and teacher in the small room which had so long been used for the Intermediate School, and the problem how the children could be better accommodated was solved to the committee's great relief, and no less, perhaps, to the relief of many of the parents.

Mr. Geo. H. Martin, Agent of the State Board of Education, entered upon the work of visiting the schools in September last, but ill health compelled him to leave his task unfinished. The secretary of the committee accompanied the agent upon his errand, and was unable to see that the schools were benefited by the visits. The character of the work done by the teachers was tested however, and the agent had a keen appreciation of good work when it appeared.

Too much stress can scarcely be laid upon the importance of the scientific temperance instruction in the schools. The pupils learn, while their habits are forming, the perils which lie in intoxicants, and with the excellent instruction now given, it may, with good reason, be hoped that the coming generation will show great advance in the appreciation and practice of the principles dear to temperance leaders of the present.

It will be necessary to increase the amount of money appropriated to the support of the schools. On account of the increased valuation of the Town's property, we receive from the State Fund $162 less than formerly. The High School pupils living in Beechwood and North Cohasset are now conveyed to school at the Town's expense. The payments for conveyance have amounted to $118, and will doubtless approximate $250 for the year

ending in March. The salary ($200) of the Superintendent of Schools for the year ending March, 1886, has been charged to the expenses of the current year. The items here named account for the excess of expenditures over appropriation during the present Committee's incumbency of office.

The following table gives the School Statistics:

Schools.	Teachers.	Winter and Spring Term.	Spring and Summer Term.	Fall Term.
Jerusalem	Miss Annie Fox	27	32	30
North Grammar	" Myra W. Bates	24	27	27
North Primary	" Susie L. Stoddard	31	28	28
Centre Grammar	" Annie A. Souther	28	23	23
Intermediate	" Lizzie C. Bates	32	33	34
Centre Primary	" Sarah E. Fox	31	32	39
South Grammar	" Josie L. Vinal	22	23	23
South Primary	" Myra L. Beal	23	33	22
Harbor	" Priscilla L. Collier	41	37	30
Beechwood Grammar	Mr. L. W. Bates	27	24	26
Beechwood Primary	Miss Georgiana Bates	25	25	25
King Street	" Martha P. Bates	21	22	21
High School	Mr. Arthur Stanley, Miss Drusilla S. Lothrop	50	51	54
		382	390	382

JAMES B. HARVEY,
JOHN W. SAVAGE,
HERBERT O. BEALE, } *School Committee.*

Cohasset, Jan. 19, 1887.

ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTEENTH

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN

OF THE

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS

OF THE

TOWN OF COHASSET,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1887,

INCLUDING THE REPORTS OF THE

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR, TREASURER, TREASURER OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE, TOWN CLERK, AND SCHOOL COMMITTEE,

WITH A

List of Marriages, Births and Deaths.

Also, the Doings at the Several Town Meetings,

REPORT OF THE VOTES CAST AT THE STATE ELECTION IN NOVEMBER, 1887,

AND THE

Reports of the Librarian and Treasurer of the Free Public Library.

COHASSET:

PRESS OF BATES & SANBORN.

1888.

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OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1887-88.

Town Clerk, NEWCOMB B. TOWER.

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor,

J. Q. A. LOTHROP,	Term expires	March 1, 1888.
PHILANDER BATES,	" "	March 1, 1890.
CALEB F. NICHOLS,	" "	March 1, 1889.

Treasurer and Collector of Taxes, ABRAHAM H. TOWER.

Highway Surveyors,

THOMAS BATES. JAMES PETTEE, AMOS E. TILDEN,
SAMUEL E. PRATT, WALDO C. LOCKE.

School Committee,

REV. JOHN W. SAVAGE,	Term expires	March 1, 1888.
JOSEPH S. BIGELOW,	" "	March 1, 1888.
HERBERT O. BEALE,	" "	March 1, 1889.
GRENVILLE D. BRAMAN,	" "	March 1, 1889.
EDWARD F. RIPLEY,	" "	March 1, 1890.
E. POMEROY COLLIER,	" "	March 1, 1890.

Constables,

EDWARD E. WENTWORTH, ROBERT L. CURTIS, JOHN ROCHE, JR.,
ANDREW H. PROUTY, CHARLES L. KITTRELL.

Fence Viewers,

J. FOSTER DOANE, L. WEBSTER BATES, CHARLES E. NOTT.

Field Drivers,

JOHN W. BATES, 2D, RICHARD CADDON, MANUEL S. ENOS,
HERBERT L. BROWN, JAMES W. HOLLAND.

Surveyors of Lumber, (Appointed.)

ABRAHAM H. TOWER, JR., WILLIAM H. REED.

Measurers of Wood and Bark, (Appointed.)

MORGAN B. STETSON, ALFRED BEAL.

Fire Wards, (Appointed.)

ZACCHEUS RICH, EDWARD E. WENTWORTH, ALDEN BEAL.

Forest Fire Wards, (Appointed.)

HORATIO G. PRATT, WALDO C. LOCKE, THOMAS L. BATES.

Weigher of Coal, (Appointed.) WINFIELD L. CREED.

Sealer of Weights and Measures, (Appointed.) ALLEN C. BATES.

Auctioneers, (Appointed.)

LOUIS N. LINCOLN, J. Q. A. LOTHROP, AARON PRATT,
JAMES S. BEAL.

Trustees of the Public Library,

MRS. ABRAHAM H. TOWER,	Term expires	April 1, 1888.
MRS. SARAH P. BEAL,		(Died Oct. 26, 1887.)
MISS SARAH B. COLLIER, (to fill vacancy),	Term expires	April 1, 1888.
CAPT. JOHN W. BATES,	" "	April 1, 1888.
MR. EDWARD E. ELLMS,	" "	April 1, 1889.
LOUIS T. CUSHING, ESQ.,	" "	April 1, 1889.
MR. ABRAHAM H. TOWER,	" "	April 1, 1889.
REV. JOSEPH OSGOOD,	" "	April 1. 1890.
MISS SARAH SIG. PRATT,	" "	April 1, 1890.
MISS EDITH M. BATES,	" "	April 1, 1890.

Undertaker, (Appointed.) ZACCHEUS RICH.

Pound Keeper, (Appointed.) LEVI L. WORRICK.

Registrars of Voters, (Appointed.)

CHARLES F. TILDEN,	Term expires	May 1, 1888.
C. JAMES PRATT,	" "	May 1, 1889
JOHN M. DAMON,	" "	May 1, 1890

NEWCOMB B. TOWER, Town Clerk, *ex-officio.*

EXTRACTS FROM THE TOWN RECORDS.

At the Annual Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Cohasset, held March 7, 1887, J. Q. A. Lothrop, Esq., Moderator, it was voted, under the fourth article of the warrant, that the sum of twenty-five thousand nine hundred dollars, ($25,900.00) be appropriated during the current year, for the following purposes, viz. :—

For Payment of Debt,	$2,000
" Interest,	1,000
Support of Schools, School-books, transportation of pupils, and other necessary school expenses,	7,500
Support of the Poor,	5,000
Removing Snow,	800
Watering Streets,	800
Cohasset Water Company,	1,500
Repairs of Highways, and special repairs,	4,500
Town Officers,	1,100
Printing,	250
Fire Department,	400
Public Library,	450
G. A. R. Post,	100
Miscellaneous,	500
Total,	$25,900

It was also voted, under the fourth article of the warrant, that the sum of seventeen thousand four hundred dollars, ($17,400) be assessed and raised by direct taxation, the current year.

It was also voted, under the fourth article of the warrant, that the Treasurer be authorized to hire money, with the approval of the Selectmen, in anticipation of the taxes, and to pay State and Military Aid.

It was voted, under the fifth article of the warrant, that the taxes be collected in the same manner as last year. It was also

voted, under this article, that the taxes assessed for the year ensuing, shall be due and payable on the first day of August; and on all taxes remaining unpaid on the first day of October, interest, at a rate not exceeding seven per cent. per annum, shall be added to each person's tax until paid; and the taxes remaining unpaid on the tenth day of January, 1888, shall be considered delinquent and subject to collection according to law.

The interest accruing under the above vote shall be added to, and be a part of such taxes.

It was voted, under the sixth article of the warrant, that the following report of the Selectmen on Guide-boards, be accepted, viz:—

"The Selectmen respectfully report that Posts and Guide-boards are erected and maintained at the following places:— One at the corner of Beechwood and Doane streets; one at the corner of Beechwood and King streets; one at the corner of Beechwood and South Main streets; one at the corner of South Main and Summer streets; one at the corner of Summer and Border streets; one at the corner of Jerusalen Road and North Main street; one at the corner of North Main and King streets; one at the corner of North Main street and Forest avenue; one at the corner of Forest Avenue and Jerusalem Road; one at the corner of Jerusalem Road and Hull street; and one at the corner of Beechwood and Church streets."

It was voted, under the seventh article of the warrant, that the following list of Jurors be accepted:—

Abraham J. Antoine,
William W. Apts,
Philander Bates,
Alden Beal,
James W. Bell,
John Bryant,
Charles F. Bennett,
Stephen D. Farrar,
Eben James,
Winthrop Knight,
A. Bradford Litchfield,
J. Q. A. Lothrop,
Levi L. Nichols,
Frank P. Appleton,
Loring Bates,
Samuel P. Bates,
Zaccheus L. Beal,
Ezra Brown,
J. Foster Doane,
Edward E. Ellms,
Jesse C. Hayden,
Charles L. Kittrell,
Elisha Lincoln,
Waldo C. Locke,
Caleb F. Nichols,
John T. Otis,

James Pettee,	Aaron Pratt,
C. James Pratt,	Horatio G. Pratt,
John L. Pratt,	Alson S. Richardson,
John Roche, Jr.,	Ziba C. Small,
Abraham H. Tower,	Charles H. Willard.

It was voted, under the eighth article of the warrant, that the Selectmen cause the Financial report of the Town to be printed and distributed in the month of February next, as usual.

It was voted, under the ninth article of the warrant, that the Committee on the Soldiers' Monument, through a request made by their clerk, be granted further time to act.

Upon the question "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in the town the current year, in accordance with the provisions of Section 5 of Chapter 100, of the Public Statutes," it was voted "Yes," eighty-three, (83), "No," one hundred eight, (108).

It was voted, under the eleventh article of the warrant, that the compensation of the Collector of Taxes for the current year be the same as heretofore, viz.: $200.

It was voted, under the twelfth article of the warrant, that the Selectmen be authorized to purchase, for the use of the town, one thousand feet of Fire Hose, a Hose-wagon, and to provide a suitable building in which to keep them. It was voted that the sum of two thousand dollars ($2,000) be appropriated for the above purpose.

It was voted, under the thirteenth article of the warrant, that the Selectmen be authorized to purchase, not exceeding two in number, Water Fountains for public use, for which no special appropriation was made.

It was voted, under the fourteenth article of the warrant, that no action be taken at this time in relation to the purchase of the late Samuel Hall estate, now owned by Mr. A. Abbott Lawrence, and that the matter be brought before the Town again, at their next annual meeting.

It was voted, under the fifteenth article of the warrant, that the Selectmen be authorized to take such action as they may deem proper and expedient, to abate the nuisance occasioned by the dilapidated condition of certain old Tombs in the central cemetery.

It was voted, under the sixteenth article of the warrant, that the

Selectmen be requested to be prepared to report to the Town, at the next Annual Meeting, the location and cost of available land for a new cemetery.

It was voted, under the seventeenth article of the warrant, that the Town will accept of the report of the Selectmen, wherein they report having laid out the New Road from North Main street to the Railroad station. It was voted that the sum of three thousand dollars ($3,000) be raised by taxation the ensuing year, to be appropriated for defraying the expense of the said new road, which is to be completed on or before January 1, 1888.

It was voted, under the eighteenth article of the warrant, that the Town will accept of the report of the Selectmen, wherein they report having laid out the new road from Margin street near the residence of Thomas T. Spear, to Margin street near the residence of Andrew J. Studley. It was voted that the sum of five hundred dollars ($500) be raised by taxation the ensuing year, to be appropriated for defraying the expense of the said new road.

It was voted, under the nineteenth article of the warrant, that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of twelve hundred dollars ($1200) for the purpose hereafter stated. Also, voted, that the Treasurer be authorized to receive the money now in the hands of the "Ladies' Union Society," amounting to about eight hundred dollars. The said moneys to be expended for the improvement of the Town Hall. Said improvement to be under the direction of a Committee of seven persons, (afterwards, by a vote, increased to eight persons,) to be chosen by nomination. No member of said Committee to receive any compensation for services rendered, or to have any pecuniary interest in the work, either as to labor, contract or stock. The following persons were constituted the above committee: Edward E. Tower, Samuel Nichols, Aaron Pratt, Eben S. Pratt, Edward F. Ripley, A. Abbott Lawrence, Caleb Nichols, Philander Bates.

It was voted, under the twentieth article of the warrant, that the Selectmen be authorized to contract with the Cohasset Water Company for additional Fire Hydrants, provided the said Company extend suitable pipes to other sections of the town, if they, the said selectmen, deem it to be for the best interests of the Town so to do.

It was voted, under the twenty-first article of the warrant, that the name of "Winter" street be changed to "Prospect" street.

It was voted, under the twenty-second article of the warrant, that the Overseers of the Poor be authorized to pay a certain bill, specified in the warrant, after satisfying themselves that the demand is a just one.

The customary vote of thanks was extended to the Moderator, after which, at about 4 o'clock, P. M., the meeting was dissolved.

ELECTION RECORD.

November 8, 1887.

The whole number of ballots cast at the November Election was 284, and were for the following persons, viz.:

For Governor.

Oliver Ames, of Easton,	204
Henry B. Lovering, of Lynn,	68
William H. Earle, of Worcester,	12

For Lieutenant Governor.

John Q. A. Brackett, of Arlington,	202
Walter Cutting, of Pittsfield,	69
John Blackmer, of Springfield,	13

For Secretary of State.

Henry B. Pierce, of Abington,	204
John F. Murphy, of Lowell,	68
Amos E. Hall, of Chelsea,	12

For Treasurer and Receiver General.

Alanson W. Beard,	202
Henry L. Thatcher, of Yarmouth,	70
John L. Kilbon, of Lee,	12

For Attorney General.

Andrew J. Waterman, of Pittsfield,	204
John W. Corcoran, of Clinton,	68
Allen Coffin, of Nantucket,	12

For Auditor.

Charles R. Ladd, of Springfield,	203
William F. Cook, of Springfield,	69
Edmund F. Stowe, of Hudson,	12

For Councillor.—District No. 1.

Jonathan Bourne, of New Bedford,	203
Charles H. Carpenter, of Middleborough,	69
Nehemiah P. Baker, of Falmouth,	12

For County Commissioner.

George W. Wiggin, of Franklin,	203
Edmund Davis, of Hyde Park,	69
Robert C. Habberly, of Hyde Park,	12

For Senator.—First Plymouth District.

Jubal C. Gleason, of Rockland,	203
William T. Davis, of Plymouth,	68
Charles E. Bailey, of Scituate,	13

For Representative.—Fourth Plymouth District.

John Q. A. Lothrop, of Cohasset,	199
Charles F. Tilden, of Cohasset,	70
Elisha Stetson, of Cohasset,	13
Blanks,	2

The vote of the Fourth Plymouth District for Representative was as follows, viz :—

	Cohasset.	Hingham.	Hull.	Total.
John Q. A. Lothrop, of Cohasset,	199	382	23	604
Charles F. Tilden, "	70	158	27	255
Elisha Stetson, "	13	57	0	70
Blanks,	2	5	0	7
Total,	284	602	50	936

John Q. A. Lothrop, of Cohasset, having received a plurality of the votes in the District, was elected, and his certificate of election was duly filled out.

N. B. TOWER, *Town Clerk.*

At a special meeting of the Town held April 29, 1887, upon the question "Will the Town require the School Committee, annually, to appoint a Superintendent of the Public Schools?" it was voted in the negative.

The number of Dogs licensed in Cohasset during the year 1887, was

Male, ...	148
Female, ...	9
Total, ...	157

The number of Enrolled Militia, May 1, 1887, was 280.

N. B. TOWER, *Town Clerk.*

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

With eight exceptions, the Library opened every Library day during the year.

In that time, the number of books issued was 8599; the largest delivery being on Sept. 10th of 151 books, and the smallest on May 25th of 28 books.

There are registered to date 1196 borrowers of which number three are from out of town.

Number of books added the past year: By donation, 132 volumes; by purchase, 110 volumes; by binding, 15 volumes. Entire number of volumes in the Library, 4264, including pamphlets.

Gifts of books have been received from Government, Mrs. A. T. Collier, Messrs. Waldo Higginson, M. L. Hollingsworth, S. T. Snow, B. C. Clark.

Classification of reading the past year:

History and Biography,	363
Travel and Geography,	407
Science and Art,	58
Literature and Poetry,	186
Magazines,	1534
Fiction,	5976
Agriculture,	47
Religion,	28
	8599

SARAH B. COLLIER, *Librarian.*

Cohasset, Dec. 31, 1887.

Cohasset, Jan. 2, 1888.

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees, held this day, the reports of the Librarian and Treasurer were presented and accepted; and at an adjourned meeting held Jan. 16, it was voted to ask the Town to appropriate the sum of $650 for the Library the coming year.

EDITH M. BATES, *Secretary.*

DR. COHASSET FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY in Account Current with JOHN W. BATES, Treasurer. CR.

1887.		1887.	
To Covering paper and slips,	$9 60	By Balance account, Dec. 31st, 1886,	$12 18
" Library Bureau bill, sundries,	6 70	" Town Appropriation,	450 00
" Bookbinder's bills,	37 40	" Donation, Mrs. Bryant,	2 00
" Estes & Lauriat, bills, magazines,	50 60	" Out-town borrowers,	3 00
" Estes & Lauriat, bills, books,	124 00	" Interest on deposits,	4 00
" Librarians' Salaries,	150 00	" Fines,	22 31
" Purchasing Committee, expenses,	3 08	" Sales Cards,	6 75
" Cotton cloth,	1 40	" Sales Catalogues,	2 97
" Cleaning,	10 26		
" Express,	6 05		
" Labels and postals,	4 24		
" Coal,	14 06		
" Janitor,	5 00		
" Samuel Bates, bills, oil, etc.,	4 72		
" Cottager, bill, cards,	7 00		
" Sundry charges of Librarian as per account rendered,	4 43		
" Balance due Library,	64 67		
	$503 21		$503 21

COHASSET, DEC. 31, 1887.

JOHN W. BATES, *Treasurer.*

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN

OF THE EXPENDITURES, AND THE FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE TOWN OF COHASSET, FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31ST, 1887.

Repairs of Highways.

THOMAS BATES, Surveyor.

Paid Thomas Bates and team,	. . .	$144 17	
Thomas L. Bates "	. . .	72 50	
John Bates "	. . .	21 00	
Joseph Smith "	. . .	11 50	
Thomas H. Henry,	labor, . .	26 12	
Joseph Fish,	" . .	5 00	
Thomas Loney,	" . .	12 25	
William Cronican,	" . .	23 62	
Alonzo L. Palmer,	" . .	17 50	
James O'Brien,	" . .	21 00	
Frederic James,	" . .	8 75	
Arthur Studley,	" . .	15 75	
Nathaniel R. Prouty,	" . .	9 62	
Patrick O'Keefe,	" . .	11 50	
Isaac H. Young,	" . .	11 50	
John R. Colbrith,	" . .	7 00	
Thomas Mulcahy,	" . .	1 75	
John Mulcahy,	" . .	1 75	
Frank Bieler,	" . .	14 00	
Samuel N. Thayer,	" . .	7 40	
Jesse T. Barnes,	" . .	7 44	
Eugene McSweeney,	" . .	8 75	
Levi L. Worrick,	" . .	2 50	
Thomas Roche, sharpening drills,	.	4 00	
Gross & Nichols, rendrock,	. .	1 35	
Edward E. Tower, gravel,	. .	41 78	
George Morey,	" . .	7 00	
Cummings Lothrop,	" . .	6 00	
Daniel N. Tower,	" . .	2 50	
			$535 00

AMOS E. TILDEN, Surveyor.

Paid Amos E. Tilden and team, . .	$100 37	
George W. Mealy " . .	34 38	
Joseph Jason " . .	35 76	
Louis T. Cushing " . .	8 25	
Manuel S. Leonard " . .	28 87	
George M. Ennice, labor, . .	34 99	
Joseph M. Ennice, " . .	3 49	
Peter Brennock, " . .	25 99	
Henry Brennock, " . .	7 00	
William J. Brennock, " . .	8 00	
Michael N. Brennock, " . .	17 50	
William Enos, " . .	16 62	
Wallace Willcutt, " . .	31 49	
Manuel Silva, 3d, " . .	20 12	
Antone Sidney, " . .	20 12	
George W. Cousens, " . .	21 87	
John Lawrence, " . .	32 81	
Edward E. Tower, gravel, . .	11 37	
Est. G. P. Pratt, " . .	9 00	
Charles Wilson, paving stones, . .	57 00	
		$525 00

WALDO C. LOCKE, Surveyor.

Paid Waldo C. Locke, team, gravel and drills, ...	$138 37	
William O. Souther, team, gravel and logs, ...	21 70	
Samuel G. James, team, . . .	12 75	
Frederic James, " . . .	21 45	
Isaac H. Young, " . . .	10 50	
Samuel Nichols, " . . .	5 25	
Charles Curtis, labor, . . .	22 75	
William H. Bates, " . . .	35 44	
Wm. H. Bates, Jr., " . . .	2 63	
Eben James, " . . .	5 25	
John Burbank, " . . .	88	
Amount carried forward, . . .	$276 97	

Amount brought forward, . . .	$276 97	
Paid Ezekiel L. James, labor, . . .	3 50	
John Ney, " . . .	32 51	
Harry Burbank, " . . .	21 00	
Charles F. Tilden, sharpening drills, .	8 54	
Gross & Nichols, rendrock, . .	5 30	
Tower, Bro. & Co., drain pipe and lumber, ...	13 94	
M. B. Stetson & Co., shovel, . .	92	
Edward E. Tower, gravel, . .	12 32	
		$375 00

SAMUEL E. PRATT, Surveyor.

Paid Samuel E. Pratt, labor and team, .	$134 44	
George W. Mealy, " " .	22 00	
Oliver H. Bates, " " .	19 25	
Edwin Bates, " " .	17 35	
Franklin Stoddard, " " .	17 50	
William W. Bates, " " .	16 50	
Ira B. Pratt, " " .	14 82	
Horace J. Damon, " " .	13 75	
Louis T. Cushing, " " .	13 75	
George W. Kimball, " " .	7 00	
Levi Lincoln, " " .	11 00	
Joseph W. Whitcomb, " " .	15 00	
W. T. Whitcomb, " " .	13 10	
Elmer E. Bates, " " .	7 00	
Cyrus Wood, labor, . .	18 65	
Harvey Morris, " . .	14 75	
Austin Lincoln, " . .	13 95	
Robert L. Curtis, " . .	10 50	
George Sargent, " . .	8 75	
Asahel F. Nott, " . .	6 11	
Alfred Haskell, " . .	3 50	
Joseph Averla, " . .	3 50	
Waldo C. Locke, " . .	2 50	
L. L. Wheelwright, Jr., " . .	12 75	
Frank Frates, " . .	10 75	
Amount carried forward, . . .	$428 17	

Amount brought forward,		$428 17	
Paid L. T. Lincoln,	labor,	9 62	
Thomas Williams,	"	5 25	
Herbert Whitcomb,	"	8 75	
John W. Bates, 2d,	"	3 50	
J. J. Silva,	"	3 50	
Frank Bieler,	"	1 75	
Frank Wheelwright,	"	3 50	
Aaron Pratt, labor and gravel,		20 00	
Isaiah Lincoln, "	"	11 46	
H. A. Seaverns & Co., rendrock, &c.,		4 50	
			$500 00

JAMES PETTEE, Surveyor.

Paid James Pettee, labor and team,		$123 48	
Alden Beal,	" "	100 63	
John Beal,	" "	70 50	
William Mulvey,	labor,	64 87	
Joseph F. Priest,	"	89 00	
Edward Morse,	"	36 75	
Charles Macpherson,	"	17 50	
John Burbank,	"	8 75	
Charles L. Kittrell,	"	7 50	
Samuel N. Thayer,	"	7 00	
Jesse T. Barnes,	"	7 00	
Thomas Roche, sharpening drills,		65	
Caleb F. Nichols, gravel,		41 37	
			$575 00

Special Repairs on Highways, under Supervision of the Selectmen.

JAMES PETTEE, Surveyor.

Special Repairs on Jerusalem Road.

Paid James Pettee, labor and team,		$42 01	
Alden Beal,	" "	163 00	
John Beal, crushed stone,		177 00	
Thomas Bates,	labor and team,	21 00	
Thomas L. Bates, "	"	14 00	
McCuin & Davis, "	"	5 50	
Amount carried forward,		$422 51	

Amount brought forward,		$422 51	
Paid William Mulvey,	labor,	31 50	
John Burbank,	"	14 00	
Eben James,	"	38 50	
Jesse T. Barnes,	"	36 75	
John N. Cook,	"	31 50	
Thomas J. M. Smith,	"	3 50	
Samuel G. James,	"	3 00	
John Bates,	"	10 50	
William Lee,	"	11 37	
Eugene McSweeney,	"	1 75	
Thomas Reedy,	"	26 25	
Bradley & Hastings, steel,		11 58	
Frank M. Nichols, sharpening tools,		13 79	
Gross & Nichols, rendrock,		19 63	
Edward E. Tower, gravel,		16 87	
Thomas Willcutt,	labor,	3 75	
Charles V. Barnes,	"	35 00	
Joseph D. Hutchinson,	"	30 93	
Samuel N. Thayer,	"	17 50	
Thomas Bates, team and gravel,		5 70	
Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber,		61 86	
			$847 74

AMOS E. TILDEN, Surveyor.

Special Repairs on Atlantic Avenue.

Paid Amos E. Tilden,	labor, team, &c.,	$30 00	
Joseph Jason,	" "	8 75	
Manuel S. Leonard,	" "	3 50	
George W. Cousens,	labor,	3 50	
Peter Rooney,	"	3 50	
Joseph M. Ennice,	"	9 62	
William Cronican,	"	24 50	
Thomas Reedy,	"	11 37	
Thomas Sheridan,	"	23 62	
Manuel Silva, 3d,	"	29 75	
Manuel F. Gracia,	"	24 50	
Amount carried forward,		$172 61	

Amount brought forward,	$172 61	
Paid Manuel Gracia, labor,	31 00	
Frank Pearson, "	1 74	
Nathaniel W. Treat, light and oil,	5 75	
Charles F. Tilden, iron work,	14 95	
Gross & Nichols, rendrock, &c.,	19 79	
Edward E. Tower, gravel,	5 99	
William A. W. Tilden, railing,	9 00	
Cohasset Water Co., use of battery,	1 25	
		$262 08

Sidewalk on Bates' Hill.

Paid Amos E. Tilden, labor and teams,	$17 00	
Joseph Jason, " "	5 50	
George W. Mealy, " "	5 50	
Manuel S. Leonard, " "	3 50	
Wallace Willcutt, labor,	3 50	
George M. Ennice, "	12 25	
Manuel Silva, 3d, "	10 00	
Peter Brennock, "	7 00	
John Lawrence, "	7 50	
Thomas Sheridan, "	87	
Edward E. Tower, gravel,	4 00	
		$76 62

Paving Gutters.

Paid Amos E. Tilden, team and labor,	$17 00	
Manuel S. Leonard, " "	1 75	
Bela Stoddard, labor,	27 00	
George M. Ennice, "	18 37	
Manuel Silva, 3d, "	23 75	
John Lawrence, "	13 00	
Tower, Bro. & Co., drain pipe and lumber,	25 26	
W. A. W. Tilden, labor and stock,	2 00	
O. C. Railroad, freight on stones,	13 50	
Edward E. Tower, gravel,	1 50	
		$143 13

WALDO C. LOCKE, Surveyor.

Special Repairs on Pond Street.

Paid Waldo C. Locke, labor and team, .	$10 63	
Eben James, " " .	10 50	
Arthur S. Bates, labor, . . .	7 00	
Joseph Silva, " . . .	8 00	
Charles F. Tilden, sharpening drills, .	65	
		$36 78

SAMUEL E. PRATT, Surveyor.

Sidewalk on Beechwood Street.

Paid Samuel E. Pratt, labor and team, .	$29 50	
W. W. Bates, " " .	11 00	
Levi Lincoln, " " .	12 24	
Joseph Grace, labor, . . .	10 50	
Mason Morse, " . . .	10 20	
Joseph W. Whitcomb, " . . .	7 00	
Edwin Bates, " . . .	3 00	
Oliver H. Bates, " . . .	3 00	
Franklin Stoddard, " . . .	3 00	
Frank Bieler, " . . .	1 75	
Aaron Pratt, " . . .	1 60	
Gross & Nichols, rendrock, . .	2 35	
		$95 14

Bridge on Beechwood Street.

Paid Samuel E. Pratt, labor and team, .	$10 50	
Edwin Bates, labor, . . .	4 00	
Joseph Silva, " . . .	5 25	
Horace J. Damon, " . . .	6 00	
Ira B. Pratt, " . . .	3 00	
Frank Mitchell, " . . .	2 00	
Isaiah Lincoln, " . . .	35	
		$31 10

Governor's Hill.

Paid Samuel E. Pratt, labor and team,	$21 50	
Horace J. Damon, labor,	10 50	
Edwin Bates, "	10 50	
Eben James, "	9 63	
Louis L. Wheelwright, Jr., "	2 62	
Asahel F. Nott, "	1 75	
Austin Lincoln, "	1 75	
Elmer E. Bates, "	2 00	
Isaiah Lincoln, gravel,	50	
Gross & Nichols, rendrock,	8 70	
Charles F. Tilden, sharpening drill,	9 65	
		$79 10

Doane Street.

Paid Samuel E. Pratt, labor and team,	$19 50	
Levi Lincoln, " "	7 00	
W. Whitcomb, " "	6 12	
Elmer E. Bates, " "	3 50	
George Sargent, labor,	3 50	
Thomas Williams, "	3 50	
Cyrus Wood, "	1 75	
Foster Litchfield, "	1 75	
Austin Lincoln, "	1 75	
Irving Lincoln, "	1 50	
Franklin Stoddard, "	2 52	
Herbert L. Brown, spikes,	30	
Isaiah Lincoln, gravel,	14 80	
		$67 49

Amount Expended under the Direction of the Selectmen.

Paid Thomas Bates and team (Common),	$8 75	
Thomas L. Bates " "	18 25	
Levi L. Worrick " "	3 50	
Harry Henry, labor, "	8 75	
Patrick O'Keefe, " "	3 00	
James O'Brien, " "	15 75	
Amount carried forward,	$58 00	

Amount brought forward, . . .	$58 00	
Paid William Enos, labor (Common),	6 57	
Arthur Studley, " " .	9 63	
Thomas Loney, " " .	3 50	
Edward E. Tower, gravel, " .	8 82	
Tower, Bro. & Co., drain pipe, " .	6 02	
Alden Beal, team and gravel, Hull Street, ...	10 50	
Thomas Bates, team and gravel, Pleasant Street, ...	10 00	
Charles F. Tilden, steel and smithing,	52 38	
Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber, &c., .	20 24	
Samuel Bates, picks, . . .	3 10	
M. B. Stetson & Co., oil, . . .	25	
George W. Cousens, labor, . .	1 75	
Bela Stoddard, labor and stock, .	8 00	
J. Q. A. Lothrop, rent of building, .	10 00	
Alfred Beal, care of gate, Straits Pond,	82 50	
M. F. Dickinson, Jr., plan of Straits Pond, ...	12 00	
J. Q. A. Lothrop, services, S. Pond and Highways, ...	20 00	
Philander Bates, services, S. Pond and Highways, ...	25 00	
Caleb F. Nichols, services, S. Pond and Highways, ...	25 00	
		$373 26
Amount expended for Highways, . . .		$4,512 44

NEW ROAD NEAR RESIDENCE OF THOS. T. SPEAR.

Paid Amos E. Tilden, labor and team, .	$72 50	
Manuel S. Leonard, " " .	10 50	
Thomas Loney, " " .	47 25	
Joseph Jason, " " .	12 25	
Charles V. Barnes, labor, . .	61 87	
George M. Ennice, " . .	50 75	
Manuel Silva, 3d, " . .	42 87	
Amount carried forward, . . .	$297 99	

Amount brought forward,	$297 99	
Paid Samuel N. Thayer, labor,	42 00	
George W. Cousens, "	33 25	
James O'Brien, "	32 25	
Thomas Sheridan, "	25 37	
John E. Salvedor, "	2 62	
Charles F. Tilden, sharpening drills,	12 65	
Gross & Nichols, rendrock,	12 70	
Edward E. Tower, gravel,	18 12	
Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber and gravel,	12 40	
Daniel N. Tower, surveying and plan,	3 50	
Joseph F. Silva, land damage,	30 00	
J. Q. A. Lothrop, services,	5 00	
Philander Bates, "	12 50	
Caleb F. Nichols, "	6 00	
		$546 35

New Road from North Main Street to Railroad Station.

Paid Daniel N. Tower, land damage,	$200 00	
Est. of Job Pratt, " "	200 00	
Est. of G. P. Pratt, " "	75 00	
Edward E. Tower, gravel,	52 00	
Daniel N. Tower, "	275 00	
" " surveying and plan,	54 50	
Cohasset Water Co., use of battery,	4 00	
Thomas H. Barrett, smithing,	30 00	
Gross & Nichols, rendrock,	25 50	
Charles Wilson, bridge stone,	90 00	
Old Colony Railroad, freight,	12 00	
H. J. Stockbridge, posts,	67 10	
Charles F. Bennett, filing saw,	60	
Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber, &c.,	96 88	
F. T. Blanchard, moving building,	25 00	
Thomas Bates and team,	93 67	
Thomas L. Bates "	70 88	
Thomas Loney "	55 13	
Manuel S. Leonard "	84 88	
Joseph Jason "	79 62	
Joseph Smith "	41 57	
Amount carried forward,	$1,633 33	

Amount brought forward,			$1,633 33	
Paid Ezekiel L. James and team,			24 50	
C. F. B. Tilden	"		83 50	
George W. Mealy	"		49 00	
William W. Bates	"		38 50	
Edward E. Ellms	"		79 00	
Amos E. Tilden	"		73 50	
Thomas Reedy,	labor,		28 00	
Harry Burbank,	"		16 19	
Henry Brennock,	"		25 00	
Michael N. Brennock,	"		14 00	
Manuel Jason,	"		39 37	
Albert Brennock,	"		45 50	
John Bates,	"		11 33	
Thomas Mulcahy,	"		87 00	
Peter Rooney,	"		41 57	
Joseph Silva,	"		20 57	
John L. Pratt,	"		36 00	
Thomas S. Gracia,	"		33 25	
Joseph Silva, 2d,	"		28 00	
Joseph M. Ennice,	"		11 38	
Frederic James,	"		36 75	
Joseph Fish,	"		32 82	
Arthur Studley,	"		17 07	
Manuel Silva, 3d,	"		47 25	
Amiel Studley,	"		32 82	
John Mulcahy,	"		40 25	
Manuel Gracia,	"		11 25	
William Cronican,	"		47 25	
James O'Brien,	"		78 75	
Daniel Donovan,	"		67 75	
Antone Peor,	"		5 25	
Thomas Gracia,	"		11 25	
Antone Salvedor,	"		17 50	
George W. Cousens,	"		31 07	
William Lee,	"		20 12	
Manuel E. Brazil,	"		35 87	
Samuel Nichols,	"		21 00	
J. Q. A. Lothrop,	services,		5 00	
Philander Bates,	"		73 00	
Caleb F. Nichols,	"		55 00	
				$3,105 51

Removing Snow from Streets and Sidewalks.

Paid Waldo C. Lock and others,	$28 78	
Thomas Bates "	30 00	
Samuel E. Pratt "	69 50	
Levi L. Worrick "	58 25	
C. F. B. Tilden "	86 00	
James Pettee "	15 25	
Amos E. Tilden "	76 00	
William O. Souther "	61 00	
Alden Beal "	23 00	
Charles F. Tilden, snow ploughs, &c.,	53 00	
Edward E. Wentworth, repairs,	4 75	
		$505 53

Fire Department.

Fire Engine.

Paid Daniel Desmond, steward,	$15 00	
William W. Studley, "	15 00	
Samuel Bates, oil, &c.,	4 58	
William H. Beal, repairs,	1 25	
Frank L. Nichols, keys,	2 00	
Charles F. Tilden,	25	
W. L. Creed & Co., refreshments,	12 70	
Gross & Nichols, "	16 60	
Mealy & Co., "	4 98	
Forty-three firemen, poll taxes,	86 00	
Lincoln Bros., coal,	2 37	
C. F. B. Tilden, horses to fire,	6 00	
Beal's Express,	50	
George F. Munnies, labor,	75	
		$167 98

Hook and Ladder.

Paid George Jason, steward,	$20 00	
Twelve hook and ladder men, poll taxes,	24 00	
Charles F. Tilden, fasts for doors,	2 25	
Amount carried forward,	$46 25	

Amount brought forward, . . .	$46 25	
Paid Amos E. Tilden, horses to fires, .	8 18	
W. L. Creed & Co., refreshments, .	19 29	
Samuel Bates, .	25	
Tower, Bro. & Co., wood, &c., .	4 50	
Edward E. Wentworth, keys, . .	2 50	
		$80 97

HOSE CARRIAGE, JERUSALEM ROAD.

Paid Hingham Water Co., water, . .	$100 00	
Three hosemen, poll taxes, . .	6 00	
James S. Beal, rent, ...	10 00	
		$116 00

HOSE WAGON AND HOSE.

Paid M. J. Ward, hose, ...	$425 00	
Clarence S. Burr, hose and pipes, .	520 00	
Charles F. Tilden, wagon, . .	350 00	
C. F. B. Tilden, expressing and freight,	1 24	
W. L. Creed & Co., lamps, . .	41	
J. Q. A. Lothrop, services, . .	10 00	
Philander Bates, " . .	5 00	
Caleb F. Nichols, " . .	5 00	
		$1,316 65

Cohasset Water Company.

Paid James H. Bouvè, Treasurer, ...	$1,500 00

DRINKING FOUNTAINS.

Paid Henry F. Jenks, fountains, . .	$300 00	
Cohasset Water Co., labor, . .	76 16	
Amos E. Tilden, teaming, &c., . .	21 29	
Samuel Bates, lamp. &c., . . .	2 89	
Charles F. Tilden, iron work, . .	1 65	
Tower, Bro. & Co., brick, &c., . .	2 65	
Beal's Express, ...	1 00	
J. Q. A. Lothrop, services, . .	8 00	
Philander Bates, " . .	5 00	
Caleb F. Nichols, " . .	5 00	
		$423 64

Watering Streets.

Paid Hingham Water Co., water,	$80 00	
Alden Beal,	300 00	
Charles S. Bates,	400 00	
Samuel Bates, repairs,	9 00	
Charles F. Tilden, "	6 50	
William H. Beal, "	3 75	
J. Q. A. Lothrop, services,	7 00	
		$806 25

Printing.

Paid Cohasset Cottager, Reports,	$145 00	
" " Notices, &c.,	36 00	
Pratt Bros., "	1 25	
		$182 25

School Appropriation.

Paid Caleb Lothrop, Treasurer of Committee, $7,500 00

Public Library.

Paid John W. Bates, Treasurer, $450 00

Henry Bryant Post, G. A. R.

Paid William F. Thayer, Quartermaster, $100 00

State and County Tax.

Paid State Treasurer,	$4,185 00	
County Treasurer,	1,893 13	
		$6,078 13

Abatements.

Abated from tax of 1882,	$3 60	
" " 1883,	7 47	
" " 1884,	111 45	
" " 1885,	181 74	
" " 1886,	54 68	
" " 1887,	635 62	
		$994 56

Town Hall.

Paid Jordan, Marsh & Co., curtains, &c.,	$32 00	
Edwin F. Souther, repairing furniture,	1 25	
J. Q. A. Lothrop, insurance,	91 75	
Cohasset Water Co., laying pipe,	26 25	
Samuel Bates, plumbing,	171 03	
" " stove, and setting,	65 60	
W. A. W. Tilden, carpenter,	15 55	
Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber,	21 16	
Daniel W. Pratt, painting,	25 15	
Lincoln Bros., coal and wood,	15 59	
Bela Stoddard, mason,	6 00	
Charles F. Tilden, iron work,	2 00	
		$473 33

State and Military Aid.

Paid Hannah F. Arnold,	$48 00	
George Arnold,	68 00	
Harriet J. Apts,	12 00	
Julia F. Henry,	48 00	
Catharine Manuel,	48 00	
Asahel F. Nott,	36 00	
Ann M. Ripley,	48 00	
J. F. Doane,	108 00	
Alfred Haskell,	96 00	
Amount carried forward,	$512 00	

Amount brought forward,	$512 00	
Paid William F. Harris,	144 00	
Daniel B. Lincoln,	70 00	
Joseph Munnies,	144 00	
Warren Newcomb,	54 00	
Isaac Phinney,	112 00	
George Powers,	68 00	
James Rooney,	120 00	
Isaac H. Tower,	72 00	
Stephen P. Lincoln,	46 00	
J. Q. A. Lothrop, services,	10 00	
		$1,352 00

Miscellaneous.

Paid John W. Bates, 2d, team for constable,	$2 50	
Thomas Williams, field-driver, 1886,	10 00	
Beal's Express,	7 85	
Joseph St. John, postage, &c.,	18 32	
Herbert L. Brown, pump,	2 35	
B. K. Atwood, Beal case,	4 50	
E. L. Burdakin, copying records,	20 00	
John W. Brennock, flag staff,	5 00	
Ann Thomas, cleaning offices,	4 00	
Waldo Higginson, ball ground,	50 00	
Aaron Pratt, setting trees,	19 95	
Cyrus R. Keene, " "	10 00	
Samuel D. Tower, repairing hearse,	31 50	
Horatio G. Pratt and others, teaming,	5 50	
Gross & Nichols, stationery,	3 91	
Levi L. Worrick, labor on pound,	2 50	
Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber "	9 95	
" " " fishways,	9 60	
" " manilla, flagstaff,	1 92	
Joseph Battles, carpenter,	1 25	
Louis N. Lincoln, care of Town Hall,	16 00	
" " care of lockup and tramps,	15 00	
Amount carried forward,	$251 60	

Amount brought forward, . . .	$251 60	
Paid Levi Tower, care of lamp, . .	8 35	
Newcomb Bates, care of clock and ringing bell, ...	30 00	
James B. Harvey, return of births, .	6 00	
Chas. B. Bridgham, " " &c.,	4 00	
Charles W. Sparrell, return of deaths,	1 75	
Zaccheus Rich, " " .	6 25	
Dan'l W. Pratt, painting guide-boards,	3 00	
Newcomb B. Tower, recording births, &c., ...	40 15	
Newcomb B. Tower, use of typewriter, &c., ...	15 00	
Daniel N. Tower, surveying town line,	5 00	
Alfred Beal, services as Justice of the Peace, ...	1 00	
Charles F. Tilden, repairs on hearse, .	15 30	
Amos E. Tilden, horse-hire, Assessors,	15 50	
" " " Selectmen,	23 25	
John W. Bates, 2d, fence, Beechwood School, ...	54 30	
Luther J. Bates, care of lamp and oil,	12 80	
Philander Bates, distributing reports,	6 00	
" " perambulating town lines, ...	6 00	
Caleb F. Nichols, perambulating town lines, ...	6 00	
Andrew H. Prouty, attendance on H. Loney, ...	12 00	
		$523 25

Town Officers.

Paid J. Q. A. Lothrop, services and expenses as Selectman and Assessor, and extra on corporation taxes, .	$276 79	
Philander Bates, Selectman and Assessor, ...	200 00	
Amount carried forward, . . .	$476 79	

Amount brought forward, . . .	$176 79	
Paid Caleb F. Nichols, Selectman and Assessor, ...	200 00	
Abraham H. Tower, Treasurer and Collector, ...	250 00	
Newcomb B. Tower, Town Clerk, .	35 00	
Charles F. Tilden, Registrar of Voters,	10 40	
C. James Pratt, " " .	10 40	
Newcomb B. Tower, " " .	10 40	
John M. Damon, " " .	10 40	
Edward E. Wentworth, services as constable, ...	48 00	
Edward E. Wentworth, services at Town Hall, ...	52 50	
Edward E. Wentworth, services at depot, ...	10 00	
Andrew H. Prouty, services as constable, ...	28 00	
Andrew H. Prouty, services at Beach Island, ...	20 00	
Andrew H. Prouty, services on Common, ...	4 00	
John Roche, Jr., services as constable,	26 50	
Robert L. Curtis, " " .	25 00	
Charles L. Kettrell, " " .	20 00	
		$1,237 39

Improvement of Town Hall.

Paid J. Q. A. Lothrop, mechanics' permit,	$17 50	
W. A. W. Tilden, on account, . .	2,000 00	
John E. Salvedor, labor, . . .	24 50	
James O'Brien, " . . .	9 63	
O. R. Litchfield, " . . .	6 00	
Manuel Silva, 3d, " . . .	3 50	
Manuel S. Leonard, " . . .	1 75	
Beal's Express, ...	11 10	
Old Colony Railroad, freight, . .	2 82	
		$2,076 80

Water for Schoolhouses.

Paid Cohasset Water Co., Centre School, .	$144 17	
" " " South School, .	111 26	
" " " Intermediate School, ...	21 50	
Samuel Bates, Intermediate School, .	33 22	
" " South School, . .	17 06	
" " pump, &c., Harbor School, ...	7 50	
Samuel Bates, pump, &c., King St. School, ...	16 15	
		$350 86

Account of Bills for Improvement of Town Hall.

W. A. W. Tilden, contract, ...	$1,700 00
" " removing fences and privies, .	31 00
" " stock and labor for fences, . .	42 00
" " " " " privies, . .	185 95
" " " " " basement, .	490 75
" " " " ventilation of hall,	88 12
" " " " extra flight of stairs,	75 75
" " " " raising ceiling, .	25 50
" " " " paneling, . .	27 00
" " " " curtain box . .	19 00
" " " " removing ceiling and firring, . .	30 00
" " " " plastering, . .	29 00
" " " " sheathing, . .	18 75
" " " " dumb waiter, . .	24 00
" " " " ticket office, . .	19 80
" " " " setting sink, and wash bowls, .	19 50
" " " " repairing window, .	5 00
" " " " tables, . . .	61 39
" " " " extra slating roof,	260 00
" " " " " doors, . .	26 05
Amount carried forward, ...	$3,178 56

Amount brought forward, ...	$3,178 56
W. A. W. Tilden, stock and labor for extra windows, inside blinds, etc.,	104 31
" " " " outside blinds, .	34 00
" " " " centre pieces, .	13 95
" " " " hard pine columns,	15 00
" " " " extra quality of finish, . . .	46 33
" " " " teaming, freight and express, . .	47 48
" " " " repair'g schoolroom,	25 00
" " " " hanging dumb waiter	3 75
" " " " weight and wire rope	4 00
" " " " hanging curtain, .	7 50
" " " " easing doors, etc., .	6 25
	$3,486 13
Less cost of shingles, ...	60 00
	$3,426 13
O. R. Litchfield, labor, ...	6 00
J. E. Salvedor, "	24 50
James O'Brien, "	9 63
Thomas Mulcahy, "	8 75
John Mulcahy, "	5 25
Manuel Silva, "	3 50
Manuel S. Leonard, "	1 75
Henry Mott, "	48 20
Tower, Bro. & Co., brick, lime and cement, . .	115 91
Samuel Bates, plumbing, ...	80 74
" " stove, etc., for kitchen, . . .	35 51
Jordan, Marsh & Co., curtain, ...	28 00
John B. Souther, furniture, ...	32 20
F. E. Stewart, settees, ...	57 60
Morey, Churchill & Co., chandeliers, ...	120 16
Goodnow & Wightman, sundries, ...	8 33
Geo. T. McLaughlin & Co., wire rope, etc., . .	6 94
A. Carlton & Co., mirror, ...	3 00
Amount carried forward, ...	$4,022 10

Amount brought forward, ...		$4,022 10
William A. Warren, brushes, combs, etc., . . .		3 00
J. Q. A. Lothrop, mechanics' permit, . . .		17 50
Beal's Express, ...		11 10
Old Colony Railroad, freight, ...		2 82
Amount of bills, ...		$4,056 52
Amount paid as per Selectmen's report, .	$2,076 80	
" received from Ladies' Union Society, additional, . . .	180 00	
		$2,256 80
Amount of unpaid bills, ...		$1,799 72

Amounts expended brought forward.

For Highways, ...	$4,512 44
New Road, Margin St.	546 35
" " No. Main St. to R. R. Station, .	3,105 51
Removing Snow, ...	505 53
Fire Department, ...	364 95
Hose Wagon, Hose, etc., ...	1,316 65
Cohasset Water Co., ...	1,500 00
Drinking Fountains, ...	423 64
Watering Streets, ...	806 25
Printing, ...	182 25
School Appropriation, ...	7,500 00
Public Library, ...	450 00
Henry Bryant, Post G. A. R., ...	100 00
State and County tax, ...	6,078 13
Abatements, ...	994 56
Town Hall, ...	473 33
State and Military Aid, ...	1,352 00
Miscellaneous, ...	523 25
Town Officers, ...	1,237 39
Improvement of Town Hall, ...	2,076 80
Water for Schoolhouses, ...	350 86
Support and Relief of Poor, ...	7,076 09
Interest, ...	1,081 99
	$42,557 97

Amounts Appropriated.

For Highways,	$4,500 00	
New Road, Margin St.	500 00	
" " No. Main St.	3,000 00	
Removing Snow,	800 00	
Fire Department,	400 00	
Hose Wagon, hose, etc.,	2,000 00	
Cohasset Water Co.,	1,500 00	
Watering Streets,	800 00	
Printing,	250 00	
Schools,	7,500 00	
Public Library,	450 00	
Henry Bryant Post G. A. R.,	100 00	
Miscellaneous,	500 00	
Town officers,	1,100 00	
Support of Poor,	5,000 00	
Interest,	1,000 00	
Improvement of town Hall,	1,200 00	
Rec'd from Ladies' Union Soc.,	757 83	
" Amt. Sales, etc., Almhouse,	634 86	
		$31,992 69

Indebtedness of the Town.

JANUARY, 1888.

FUNDED DEBT. (Issue of May 1, 1876.)

Cohasset Savings Bank, 3 Notes due, 1888, 1889, 1890.	$3,000 00	
Funded debt, (Issue of April 15, 1878.)		
W. W. Clapp, 3 Notes due, 1888, 1889, 1890.	3,000 00	
Total funded debt,		$6,000 00

DEMAND NOTES.

Martha T. Bates,	$1,000 00	
A. H. Tower, trustee for Lothrop heirs,	3,700 00	4,700 00
Total interest bearing debt,		$10,700 00
Amt. due on acct. of improvement Town Hall,		1,799 72
" " " Contract for Hose house		710 00
" " " Repairs on School houses,		1,130 75
Total indebtedness,		$14,340 47

Funded debt reduced in 1887, $2,000.

ASSETS OF THE TOWN, JANUARY, 1888.

Due from Commonwealth for Military aid,	$875 00	
" " " " State pauper,	35 00	
" " James Dady for wife, . .	224 57	
" " Manuel Silva, 2nd mort. note, .	595 00	
" " Mary J. Enos, . . .	350 00	
" " Mary O'Brien, . . .	200 00	
" " Town of Hull, Straits Pond, .	15 62	
Balance in Treasury, ...	2,131 29	
Due from Commonwealth Corp. Tax additional, ...	18,087 18	
		$22,513 66
Surplus over liabilities, January, 1888, .		$8,173 19

Respectfully submitted,

J. Q. A. LOTHROP,
PHILANDER BATES,
CALEB F. NICHOLS,
Selectmen of Cohasset.

REPORT OF OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

For the Year ending December 31, 1887.

Almshouse Account.

Paid Herbert L. Brown, groceries, &c.,		$342 90
Elmer E. Bates,	"	220 83
W. L. Creed & Co.,	"	265 72
W. V. Bogart,	"	120 40
Caleb F. Nichols,	"	91 14
M. B. Stetson & Co.,	"	117 26
Gross & Nichols, groceries and grain,		220 74
David B. Tower,	"	15 73
Frances H. Nichols, dry goods,		70 23
Bourne & Nickerson, meats,		302 44
Wm. F. Thayer & Son,	"	121 63
Mealy & Co.,	"	17 44
Antoine J. Silva, fish,		37 07
Danforth Sylvester,	"	54 99
Cohasset Clothing Co., clothing,		65 28
Langdon W. Cook,	"	38 14
Philander Bates, boots and shoes,		32 02
Samuel Bates, stove, &c.,		59 50
Lincoln Bros., coal,		69 87
Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber, &c.,		37 82
H. A. Seaverns & Co., mowing machine, &c.,		53 42
William Doane, poultry,		8 00
Beal's Express,		9 75
Edward E. Wentworth, horse-shoeing, &c.,		58 95
Charles F. Tilden, horse-shoeing, &c.,		10 45
William O. Souther, ice,		18 33
Bela Stoddard, mason,		14 00
Ziba C. Small, painting, &c.,		28 68
Amount carried forward,		$2,502 73

Amount brought forward, ...	$2,502 73	
Paid Frank W. Browne, medicine, . .	12 50	
James B. Harvey, medical attendance,	32 00	
Chas. B. Bridgham, " " .	4 00	
Est. G. P. Pratt, " " .	2 00	
Amos E. Tilden, pigs, . . .	10 00	
" " horseshire, . .	27 50	
Isaac H. Young, salary, . . .	300 00	
Mary Reed, wages, ...	156 00	
Overseers' services, ...	75 00	
		$3,121 73

Account of Sales and Income.

Rec'd Isaac H. Young, sales of stock, .	$208 40	
Bourne & Nickerson, hogs, calves, &c.,	88 08	
Levi L. Worrick, teaming, . . .	20 00	
Waldo C. Locke, " . .	10 50	
Thomas Bates, " . .	11 50	
Samuel Nichols, " . .	5 00	
W. L. Creed & Co., eggs, . .	7 60	
Mealy & Co., potatoes, . . .	29 58	
Wm. W. Bates, " . . .	38 50	
A. H. Tower, Trustee for John J. Lothrop, ...	180 00	
Manuel Silva, 2d, interest, Mendoca place, ...	35 70	
		$634 86
Debit brought forward, ...	$3,121 73	
Credit " "	634 86	
Almshouse debtor to balance, ...		$2,486 87

The following persons remained in the Almshouse, December 31st, 1887:

Elizabeth Hudson.
Jane B. Lambert.
Augusta Silva.
Antone George.
Francis George.
William Hayden.

David Vinal.
Robert Williams.
Joseph W. Pratt.
Benjamin Everett.
William Doane.
John J. Lothrop, boarder.

Partial Support of Persons Outside of Almhouse,

With Names of Heads of Families, and Amounts Paid to Each Family, for the Year Ending Dec. 31st, 1887.

Paid for Julia Macomber,	$173 46
Elizabeth J. Dady,	181 86
William Kilburn,	188 73
George B. Williams,	193 60
Lot Willcutt,	174 47
Joanna Colbrith,	186 62
John F. Murphy,	169 44
Manuel Enos,	89 00
Myra Gardner,	78 00
Mrs. J. F. Martin,	76 00
Elizabeth Ainslie,	185 46
Mary O'Brien,	81 00
Rita Frates,	95 84
Mary L. McGrath,	26 00
Susan Meeker,	95 95
John R. Colbrith,	55 13
John E. Groce,	132 03
Albert W. Spencer,	31 75
Henry Morris,	167 64
Joseph E. Smith,	142 38
William F. Harris,	245 61
William H. Litchfield,	59 50
Mary A. Kent,	79 32
Thankful R. Souther,	5 00
Eunice Stirling,	60 00
William Hayden,	71 23
Amount carried forward,	$3,045 02

Amount brought forward, ...	$3,045 02
Paid Frank Antone, ...	130 34
Isaac H. Tower, ...	51 75
Frank W. Thomas, ...	56 00
Mrs. John Burbank, ...	93 81
Henry L. Bates, ...	89 87
George Powers, ...	3 75
Mrs. Oliver Henderson, . . .	116 90
John Tyrer, ...	149 30
Joseph Silva, 2d, ...	70 00
Mrs. Manuel F. Martin, . . .	20 00
Overseers' services, ...	127 62
	$3,954 36

Payments made to the following persons on account of assistance rendered to parties outside of Almshouse for the year:—

Paid Westborough Insane Asylum, . .	$173 46
Worcester Insane Asylum, . .	181 86
Taunton Lunatic Hospital, . .	894 86
City of Boston, ...	156 32
" " Brockton, ...	132 03
" " Taunton, ...	31 75
" " Lowell, ...	235 61
" " Newburyport, . . .	115 90
Town of South Scituate, . . .	12 00
" " Middleboro', . . .	3 75
" " Scituate, ...	9 00
R. W. Killam, ...	77 87
Gross & Nichols, ...	131 30
Orders on Treasury, . . .	536 00
Tower, Bro. & Co.	142 13
Bourne & Nickerson, . . .	85 87
Charles B. Bridgham, . . .	34 00
O. H. Howe, ...	39 00
C. H. Davie, ...	9 00
James B. Harvey, ...	80 00
Est. G. P. Pratt, ...	4 00
Amount carried forward, ...	$3,085 71

Amount brought forward, ...	$3,085 71	
Frank W. Browne, ...	5 30	
Robert L. Curtis and others, . .	47 00	
Philander Bates, ...	76 76	
William F. Thayer & Son, . .	55 57	
W. L. Creed & Co., ...	46 54	
Mealy & Co., ...	5 00	
Herbert L. Brown, ...	253 37	
Samuel E. Pratt, ...	4 56	
Elmer E. Bates, ...	102 38	
Caleb F. Nichols, ...	25 00	
Cohasset Clothing Co., . . .	14 00	
Lot W. Bates, ...	36 67	
Edward E. Wentworth, . . .	11 50	
Addie Morris, ...	7 25	
Thomas W. Whitcomb, . . .	2 50	
Seaverns & Spear, ...	6 00	
Lincoln Bros., ...	40 63	
J. Q. A. Lothrop, services and expenses, ...	69 38	
Philander Bates, services and expenses,	33 24	
Caleb F. Nichols, " . . .	25 00	
	———	$3,951 36
Amounts to be reimbursed to the Town:		
From James Dady, for his wife, . .	$181 86	
Town of Hingham, . . .	78 00	
State of Massachusetts, . .	35 00	
	———	$294 86
Amount for Almshouse, . . .	$3,121 73	
" " Outside, ...	3,954 36	
	———	$7,076 09
Amount of Almshouse credits, . .	$634 86	
" " Outside " . .	294 86	
	———	$929 72
Amount of expense, ...		$6,146 37

Respectfully submittted,

J. Q. A. LOTHROP,
PHILANDER BATES,
CALEB F. NICHOLS,
Overseers of the Poor of Cohasset.

Dr. Town of Cohasset in Account with

1887–1888.

To paid Selectmen's Orders drawn to date,	$25,029 85
State Aid and relief of Indigent Soldiers and Sailors,	1,342 00
Town Aid to Families of Poor,	514 00
Town's Appropriation for School Teaching, Fuel and repairs of School-houses, the current year,	7,500 00
Income of Mass. School Fund, Ripley Fund, and Dog License Money, on School account,	297 54
Assessors' Orders for Abatement of Taxes,	994 56
State of Massachusetts Tax for 1887,	4,185 00
County of Norfolk Tax for 1887,	1,893 13
Cohasset Savings Bank Funded Note, due 1887,	1,000 00
James W. Nichols, Funded Note, due 1887,	1,000 00
Money hired in anticipation of Taxes,	18,000 00
Interest on Town's Notes,	1,081 99
	$62,838 07
Balance in Treasury,	2,131 29
	$64,969 36

COHASSET, January 17, 1888.

COHASSET, January 19, 1888.

We have examined the foregoing account of the Treasurer and find it correctly cast and properly vouched.

J. Q. A. LOTHROP,
PHILANDER BATES,
CALEB F. NICHOLS,
Selectmen of Cohasset.

Abraham H Tower, Treasurer. Cr.

1887–1888.

By Balance in Treasury from former account,	$1,479 64
Received of Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Corporation Tax for 1886, additional,	10 22
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Corporation Tax for 1887,	8,526 75
Commonwealth of Massachusets, National Bank Tax for 1887,	4,993 ?6
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, State Aid,	725 00
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, State Paupers,	22 56
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Income School Fund, 1886,	23 30
Connty of Norfolk, from Dog Licenses, 1886,	226 19
Town of Hingham, aid to Myra Gardner, 1887,	78 00
James Dady, for support of wife at Insane Asylum, 1886,	192 41
Cohasset Mut. Fire Ins. Co., office rent, 1887,	60 00
Joseph Caton, balance note and interest in full,	113 25
Manuel Sylvia, 2d, interest on note,	35 70
M. & M. J. Enos, interest on mortgage note,	9 00
Interest on Bank Deposits and fees on delinquent Taxes,	94 65
Interest on Taxes for 1887 paid since Oct. 1st,	8 32
Interest on Ripley Fund, 1887,	45 50
Louis N. Lincoln, income of Town Hall,	52 00
A. H. Tower, Trustee, support of J. J. Lothrop at Alms House, 1887,	180 00
Sundry persons, for produce and use of Town team from Alms House, 1887,	389 58
Ladies' Union Society, their funds in aid of building kitchen and dining room and sanitary conveniences in connection with Town Hall addition, 1887,	757 83
Banks and individuals, hired money, 1887,	18,000 00
Amount of Tax List for 1887,	28,946 02
	$64,969 36

ABRAHAM H. TOWER, *Treasurer.*

Amounts estimated by the Selectmen as required to meet the expenses of the Town for the ensuing year:

For Support of Schools, School books, and incidental expenses,	$8,000 00
Support of Poor,	6,000 00
Highways, expended by Surveyors,	2,500 00
" special, expended by Selectmen	4,000 00
Removing Snow,	800 00
Watering Streets,	800 00
Cohasset Water Co.,	1,500 00
Town officers,	1,200 00
Printing,	250 00
Fire Department,	400 00
Public Library,	650 00
G. A. R. Post,	100 00
Miscellaneous,	600 00
School deficiency,	1,130 75
Town Hall deficiency,	1,799 72
Hose house contract,	710 00
State and Military Aid,	1,000 00
Town Hall,	300 00
Abatement of Taxes,	300 00
	$32,040 47

The amount to be raised by taxation, will be reported by the Selectmen at Town Meeting.

Table of Aggregates.

Valuation of Real Estate, 1886,	$1,975,666
Valuation of Personal Estate, 1886,	1,226,436
Total Valuation in 1886,	$3,202,102
Valuation of Real Estate, 1887,	$2,025,356
Valuation of Personal Estate, 1887,	1,360,190
Total Valuation in 1887,	$3,385,547

Increase of Real Estate, 1887,	$49,690
Increase of Personal Estate, 1887,	133,754
Total increase,	$183,444
Number of Polls in 1887,	592
State Tax in 1887,	$4,185 00
County Tax in 1887,	1,893 13
Town grant in 1887,	22,100 00
Overlayings,	767 99
Total Tax in 1887,	$28,946 12
Rate per cent. on $1,000,	8 20
Number of Dwellings 1887,	580
" " Horses,	264
" " Cows,	316
" " sheep,	30
" " neat cattle	68
" " swine,	53
" " acres taxed	5,956¼
" " persons taxed on property,	674
" " " paying poll tax only,	263
" " Tax payers,	937

List of Jurymen

Drawn During the Year Ending December 31, 1887.

February 7.	Andrew J. Souther,	Supreme J. Court.
March 24.	Samuel P. Bates,	Grand Juror.
" 31.	Jesse C. Hayden,	Superior Court.
April 14.	Caleb F. Nichols,	" "
August 27.	Horatio G. Pratt,	" "
September 17,	Ezra Brown,	" "
November 28,	John L. Pratt,	" "
December 22,	John Roche, Jr.,	" "

List of Jurors

To be revised and accepted by the Town, at its next Annual Town Meeting, to be held March 5, 1888.

Frank P. Appleton,
William W. Apts,
Loring Bates,
Philander Bates,
Oliver H. Bates,
Alden Beal,
Zaccheus L. Beal,
John Bryant,
George W. Cousens,
Abraham J. Antone,
Charles F. Bennett,
John M. Damon,
Edward E. Ellms,
Stephen D. Farrar,
George O. Higgins,
Samuel G. James,
Charles L. Kettrell,
Winthrop Knight,
George W. Kimball,
Elisha Lincoln,
A. Bradford Litchfield,
Waldo C. Locke,
J. Q. A. Lothrop,
Caleb Nichols,
Levi Nichols,
John T. Otis,
James Pettee,
Aaron Pratt,
C. James Pratt,
Eben S. Pratt,
Alson S. Richardson,
Ziba C. Small,
Morgan B. Stetson,
Abraham H. Tower,
Charles H. Willard.
Levi L. Worrick.

ARTICLES TO BE IN TOWN WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING,

MARCH 5, 1888.

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meetings.

ART. 2. To act upon the Reports of the Librarian and Treasurer of the Public Library, Selectmen, Overseers of Poor, Treasurer, Treasurer of School Committee, and School Committee.

ART. 3. To choose all Town Officers required by law and Town By-laws.

ART. 4. What sums of money will the Town raise and appropriate for the Payment of Debt, Repairs of Highways, Relief of Poor, Support of Schools and incidental expenses, Public Library, Watering Streets, Decorating Soldiers' and Sailors' graves, and all other necessary charges and expenses for the current year.

ART. 5. In what manner will the Town collect the Taxes the current year, and at what time shall they be paid into the Treasury.

ART. 6. To hear the Report of Selectmen on Guideboards, and act thereon.

ART. 7. Will the Town accept the list of Jurors as prepared and posted by the Selectmen.

ART. 8. Will the town cause the Financial Report to be printed and distributed in the month of February, 1889.

ART. 9. To hear and act upon the Report of any Committee.

ART. 10. Shall License be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in the Town the current year, in accordance with Chap. 100, Sec. 5, of the Public Statute.

ART. 11. What compensation will the Town allow the Collector of Taxes for the current year.

ART. 12. What action will the Town take in regard to the purchase of the whole or a part of the Hall estate, now owned by A. A. Lawrence.

ART. 13. Will the Town cause a Hose tower and bell to be placed on the Hose house at the Harbor.

ART. 14. Will the Town cause a Sidewalk to be built on

Summer Street, from the residence of George W. Cousens to South Main Street.

Art. 15. Will the Town authorize the Selectmen to take such measures as will preserve the green at the junction of Jerusalem Road and North Main Street.

Art. 16. Will the Town change the name of Prospect Street to Sohier Street, and name the roads built in 1887.

Art. 17. Will the Town form a district with the Town of Hingham for the purpose of employing a Superintendent of Schools.

Art. 18. What action will the Town take in regard to the building of a central school house for the Public schools.

Art. 19. Will the Town release their right in the David Vinal estate on Prospect Street, and authorize the Overseers of Poor to execute a deed of release.

Art. 20. Will the Town cause the gutter at the corner of Elm and Brook Streets to be repaved, or in some way made safe and convenient for travel.

Art. 21 Will the Town raise and appropriate a sum of money sufficient to extend the sidewalk on Hull Street from the entrance to the estate of W. W. Clapp to the residence of Alden Beal.

Art. 22. Will the Town cause the triangular green at the Harbor between Elm and Margin Streets to be improved and preserved, and forbid the occupying of the same by vehicles of various kinds in process of repair, or any other purpose.

Art. 23. Will the Town cause a trough to be connected with the water pipes to be placed at the easterly end of Spring Street, near its junction with South Main Street, for the use of cows; also a water fountain of a pattern suited to the use of cows as well as horses, to be placed at the point of the green at the junction of Elm and Margin Streets.

LIST OF

MARRIAGES, BIRTHS AND DEATHS,

Registered in Cohasset, during the Year 1887.

PREPARED BY THE TOWN CLERK.

MARRIAGES.

Date.	NAMES.	Residence.	Where and by whom Married.
1887.			
Jan. 1	Charles A. Stephenson...	Braintree.....	Married in Cohasset by Rev.
	Agnes Shay.....	"	Joseph Osgood.
" 1	Charles M. Tibbetts.....	Hingham.. ...	Married in No. Cohasset by
	Maud W. Beal.....	Cohasset	Rev. John H. Allen.
" 4	George Arnold.....	Cohasset	Married in Cohasset by Rev.
	Laura S. Holbrook.....	Boston.....	Joseph Osgood.
" 20	James H. Morris.....	Cohasset..	Married in Cohasset by Rev.
	Annie M. Frates.....	"	Harlan Page.
Mar. 2	Charles E. Arnold	Hingham.....	Married in Cohasset by Rev.
	Sarah J. Robinson.....	"	Joseph Osgood.
" 3	Charles H. Streeter	Boston.....	Married in Boston by Rev.
	Charlotte M. Whittington	Cohasset	Joseph Osgood.
April 4	Henry P. Furber.....	Boston....	Married in Boston by Rev.
	Grace E. Tower.....	Cohasset..	Joseph Osgood.
" 10	Henry H. Gardner.....	S. Scituate....	Married in Hanover by Rev.
	Martha C. Wood.	Cohasset..	Philip Price.
" 27	Charles C. Wheelwright..	Boston....	Married in Cohasset by Rev.
	Laura S. Tower.....	Cohasset..	Joseph Osgood.
May 31	Benjamin S. Litchfield...	Cohasset.....	Married in Cohasset by Rev.
	Mary E. Ainslie.....	S. Scituate....	Harlan Page.
June 7	Joseph F. Bandura.....	Cohasset.....	Married in Cohasset by Rev.
	Mary L. Johnson.....	"	Joseph Osgood.
" 15	Herbert O. Beale.....	Cohasset.....	Married in Newton by Rev.
	Susie A. Beal.....	Newton.....	W. F. Bacon.
" 22	William H. Bates, Jr.,....	Cohasset..	Married in Cohasset by Rev.
	Meriam L. Burbank.....	"	John W. Savage.
" 22	Arthur H. Lawrence.....	Boston.....	Married in Cohasset by Rev.
	Ellen Selfridge.....	"	Denison L. Brown.
" 22	George W. Collier.....	Cohasset..	Married in Cohasset by Rev.
	Frances P. Osgood.....	"	Joseph Osgood.
July 14	Joseph H. Wilson.....	Cohasset..	Married in Cohasset by Rev.
	Julia C. M. Henry.....	Duxbury	John W. Savage.
" 24	John Burbank.....	Cohasset..	Married in Scituate by Rev.
	Louisa Morris....	"	David Bremner.

MARRIAGES — CONTINUED.

Date.	NAMES.	Residence.	Where and by whom Married.
1886.			
Aug. 3	Arthur Stanley Harriet D. Burgess	Cohasset Hamp. Fls. N H.	Married in Hampton Falls, N. H., by Rev. I. T. Burgess.
Sept. 3	Manuel Vargus Lizzie Vargus	Scituate "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.
" 5	Manuel Martin Mary E. Frates	Cohasset "	Married in Cohasset by N. B. Tower, Jus. of Peace.
" 5	Frank W. Litchfield Irene Pratt	Cohasset Scituate	Married in Scituate by Rev. H. A. Whitman.
" 10	Samuel H. Bates Ida Curtis	Natick Cohasset	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.
" 12	Manuel Jason Sarah Gillis	Cohasset "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. M. J. Phelan.
" 18	Charles B. Wood Clara E. Higgins	Cohasset "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Harlan Page.
" 19	John F. Fidalgo Reather V. Lawrence	Boston Cohasset	Married in Cohasset by Rev. M. J. Phelan.
" 28	Quimby T. Lapham Elizabeth C. Small	Cohasset "	Married in Marshfield by Rev. Eben Alden.
Oct. 4	Frederick L. Marsh Ruth E. Pettee	Lunenburg Cohasset	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.
" 5	Edwin J. Mealy Minnie W. Gammons	Cohasset "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.
" 13	George A. Litchfield M. Charlotte Pratt	Boston Cohasset	Married in Cohasset by Rev. John W. Savage.
" 18	Charles A. Gross Mary T. Lothrop	Cohasset "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.
" 23	Frank W. Wheelwright Lillian M. Stoddard	Cohasset "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. John W. Savage.
" 25	Alfred P. Vialle Hattie J. Bates	Boston Cohasset	Married in Cohasset by Rev. John W. Savage.
" 30	Eben James Mary E. Flemming	Cohasset "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Ignatius P. Egan.
Nov. 3	John Lilly Annie Vichers	Cohasset Boston	Married in Boston by Rev. L. M. A. Corcoran.
" 23	Frank W. Couillard Amanda W. Burbank	Cohasset "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. John W. Savage.
" 30	James B. Harvey Elizabeth C. Anderson	Cohasset "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. John W. Savage.
Dec. 20	William C. Earle Myra W. Bates	E. Weymouth. Cohasset	Married in Cohasset by Rev. John W. Savage.
" 27	Antoine Joseph Ehen Supple	Cohasset "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Ignatius P. Egan.
" 28	George P. Tower Laura K. Richardson	Cohasset Winona, Minn.	Married in Winona, Minn., by Rev. R. J. Thompson.
" 29	Thomas Harrington Margaret Keane	Cohasset Boston	Married in Boston by Rev. Joseph H. Gallagher.

Forty marriages were registered in Cohasset during the year 1887, as per list above.

BIRTHS.—1887.

Date.	NAME OF CHILD.	Parents' Names.	Mothers' M. N.	Place of Birth.
Jan. 13	George Briggs Tower	Francis C. and Margaret E.	Sloan	So. Main St.
" 14	Harold Douglas Allen	John H. and Harriet M.	Dinsmore	Hull St.
" 14	Newcomb Lincoln Damon	Newcomb L. and Amelia R.	Snow	Highland Ave.
" 18	Francis Stockbridge Brown	William A. and Maggie E.	McCarthy	Marshfield.
" 24	Wm. Augustus White Tilden	Amos E. and Mary E.	Chamberlain	Elm St.
Feb. 3	Hilda Gertrude James	Ezekiel L. and Nellie G.	Bates	King St.
" 4	John Daley	Bartholomew and Nellie	Cronican	Pleasant St.
" 6	Margaret Ellen Holland	James W. and Bridget	Allen	Border St.
" 17	Wilber Henry Ainslie	George W. and Belinda J.	Arnold	Church St.
Mch. 1	Alfred Menas Silvia	Manuel R. and Maria E.	Antoine	Margin St.
" 2	Sarah Lewis Lincoln	Frederic L. and Mary A.	Ward	Prospect St.
" 3	Teresa Catherine St. John	Joseph and Catharine	Roche	So. Main St.
" 4	Thomas Edward Haley	Matthew and Ellen	Fenety	Pleasant St.
" 14	Bessie Estelle Litchfield	Arthur C. and Carrie G.	Pratt	Beechwood St.
" 18	Susan Clare Roche	John, Jr., and Mary H.	Murphy	No. Main St.
" 26	—— Bates	John W., 2d, and Mary J.	Litchfield	Beechwood St.
" 28	Elizabeth Antoine	Abraham J. and Elizabeth	Queeny	Beechwood St.
" 29	Florence Leavenworth Beal	Alfred and Lizzie A.	Bates	Hull St.
Apr. 12	Charles Israel Westgate	Charles F. and Katharine H.	Vinal	Elm St.
" 15	William Thomas Barnes	Jesse T. and Hattie E.	Cushing	No. Main St.
May 8	Mary Elizabeth Lyons	Patrick J. and Margaret E.	Henry	No. Main St.
" 12	Grenville Temple Braman	Grenville D. and Nellie H.	Braman	Jerusalem Rd.
" 18	Quincy Burton Bates	Thomas A. and Melissa L.	Damon	Beechwood St.
" 25	John Warren Sidney	Antone J. and Josephine J.	Frates	King's Is., Scit.
June 12	Mary Mulvey	William and Maggie L.	Devine	Spring St.
" 24	Florence Gertrude Morse	Benjamin F. and Winnifred E.	Lines	No. Main St.
" 25	Marcus Morton Thayer	Samuel N. and Maggie L.	Cusick	No. Main St.
" 26	Ralph Whitcomb Taylor	George and Harriet	Tower	So. Main St.
" 28	Elizabeth Anna Hardwick	Samuel V. and Catharine	Lavin	Doane St.
July 4	Mary Ellen Desmond	Daniel and Mary	Mulcahy	Elm St.
" 15	Mildred Thayer	Charles I. and Florence A. M.	Flagg	Jerusalem Rd.
Aug. 3	Samuel Arthur Fritz Ely	Homer A. and N. V. S.	Vanuine	Border St.
" 6	Joseph Brewer	Joseph and Helen S.	Slocum	Atlantic Ave.
" 7	—— Neilson	Edwin and Jennie	Carlson	Jerusalem Rd.
" 11	Frank Oliver	Manuel and Marianna	Diaz	Elm St.
" 13	Edward Thomas Riley	Stephen and Mary	Finnegan	No. Main St.
" 14	Louise Thomas Spear	Walter T. and Nellie F.	Eaton	Margin St.
" 19	Gustavus Percival Pratt	John J. A. and Mary F.	Antoine	Beechwood St.
" 20	Marion Frances Smith	Joseph E. and Mary A.	Joseph	Beechwood St.
" 22	Hannah Elizabeth Donovan	Daniel and Mary	McCarthy	James' Lane.
Sept. 16	Harold Thomas Doane	John P. and Esther A.	Higgins	Summer St.
" 30	Agnes Agatha Manuel	John C. and Mary T.	Morgan	Jerusalem Rd.
Oct. 6	Leonora Ignatius Martin	Manuel and Mary E.	Frates	Border St.
" 7	Marion Wentworth Earle	Wentworth J. and Sarah A.	Bates	Jerusalem Rd.
" 31	Edna Elsie Burbank	John and Louisa	Morris	Beechwood St.
Nov. 18	Mabel Eddy Smith	John and Lucy E.	Frates	Elm St.
" 23	Nellie Belle Bates	Elmer E. and Myra E.	Bates	Beechwood St.
" 25	Annie Louisa Winslow	Henry W. and Annie	Pierce	Doane St.
" 27	John Leo Jason	Manuel and Sarah	Gillis	So. Main St.
Dec. 16	Gustavus Percival Roche	Thomas and Annie	A'Hearn	No. Main St.
" 20	Catharine Francis Valine	Manuel P. and Sarah E.	Antoine	Border St.
" 25	Joseph Bandura	Joseph F. and Mary L.	Johnson	Margin St.
1886.				
Mar. 16	Annie Agnes Gracia	Joseph J. and Margaret E.	Farrell	Border St.
Sept. 6	Marion Franklin Beal	Alden and Sarah B.	Tirrell	Hull St.

The above list contains the names of fifty-four children, and, excepting two born in 1886, all born during the year 1887. Of these the sexes are equally divided, twenty-seven being males and twenty-seven females.

DEATHS. — 1887.

Date.	NAMES.	Age. Y.	M.	D.	Cause of Death.	Place of Death.
Jan. 12	Nancy S. (Stoddard) Whitcomb	76	..	1	Heart Disease	Border St.
" 17	Alfred Whittington	80	..	25	Apoplexy	Margin St.
" 20	1Richard D. Roche	2	7	5	Consumption	Jerusalem R'd.
" 27	Alexander W. Hayden	73	..	..	Paralysis	Summer St.
Feb. 22	1John Henry Roche	3	6	5	Acute Cerebritis	No. Main St.
Mar. 20	1Maggie Ellen Mattie	..	6	10	Whooping Cough	Margin St.
" 28	—— Bates	..	..	2	Heart Disease	Beechwood St.
Apr. 4	Nancy (Jenkins) Lincoln	79	5	..	Bronchitis	So. Main St.
" 9	2Mercy A. (Hooper) Harvey	44	3	3	Consumption	So. Main St.
" 9	1Agnes Lillian Downes	5	3	4	Acute Gastritis	James's Lane.
" 10	Herbert A. Studley	1	3	15	Whooping Cough	Margin St.
" 11	1Ellen E. (Mulcahy) Sheridan	25	11	1	Consumption	Pleasant St.
" 11	Thomas Nichols Tower	73	9	24	Dropsy	Beach St.
" 11	Henry Lewis Loney	12	8	3	Pleuro Pneumonia	Pleasant St.
" 16	Henry Morris	66	2	..	Debility	Beechwood St.
" 26	Sarah J. (Doane) Lawrence	67	1	10	Nervous Prostration	Summer St.
" 29	Gustavus P. Pratt	47	3	..	Acute Phthisis	No. Main St.
May 29	1Margaret (Brennock) Holland	66	9	..	Ulceration of Stomach.	Border St.
June 18	Olive (Pratt) Beal	83	6	..	Old Age	No. Main St.
July 1	3Rose (Steele) Silvia	65	6	5	Insane	Elm St.
" 13	3Frank Antoine	60	6	3	Cancer of Stomach	Margin St.
" 19	4Uriel Crocker	90	10	..	Gastric Hemorrhage	Jerusalem R'd.
" 23	James Phinney	77	2	3	Old Age	Cedar St.
" 25	Grace Erica Schinner	..	2	6	Entere Colitis	Jerusalem R'd.
" 31	3—— Dalton	..	..	..	Stillborn	Pleasant St.
Aug. 1	5Frank W. Thomas	32	6	13	Consumption	Bow St.
" 8	4 —— Adams	..	..	..	Stillborn	Jerusalem R'd.
" 16	Eunice M. Sargent	6	7	..	Scarlet Fever	Beechwood St.
" 22	Maria (Joy) Beal	85	2	20	Dropsy	Jerusalem R'd.
Sept. 6	1Eddy Haley	..	6	2	Cholera Infantum	Pleasant St.
" 26	Arthur H. Brown	..	10	13	Cholera Infantum	Beechwood St.
Oct. 21	Adeline (Wilson) Ripley	80	1	7	Gastritis	Atlantic Ave.
" 26	Sarah P. (Studley) Beal	38	1	..	Consumption	Elm St.
Nov. 5	3Elizabeth J. Frirerira	7	6	..	Typhoid Fever	Elm St.
" 12	Annie S. (Willcutt) Hunt	39	7	8	Consumption	Jerusalem R'd.
Dec. 25	3William Enos	67	4	9	Lung Fever	Elm St.

1. Buried at Hingham.
2. Buried at Raynham.
3. " " Scituate.
4. " " Mt. Auburn.
5. Buried at Weymouth.

Thirty-six deaths occurred in Cohasset during the year 1887, as per list above. Average age, 41 years, 4 months, 18 days. Twenty-four of the number were born in Cohasset, seven in other towns in this State, and five in foreign countries.

The following list contains the names of those persons who have been brought to this town for interment during the year 1887, having died in other places.

DEATHS.—1887.

Date.	NAMES.	Age.			Place of Death.
		Y.	M.	D.	
June 4	Sarah L. Percival	59			Boston.
July 3	Lois H. Bailey	72			Farmington, Me.
" 19	Sarah E. (Souther) Tower	62	2	18	Boston.
" 26	Charlotte Williston	79	10	12	Braintree.
Aug. 17	John B. Bates	70	6	15	Somerville.
Oct. 15	Eustis W. Tilden	52			Boston.
Dec. 22	Eliza B. Gove	79	9	18	Kennebunkport, M

N. B. TOWER, *Town Clerk.*

Town of Cohasset in Account with the School Committee.

1887. *Dr.*

HIGH SCHOOL.

Teaching.

Arthur Stanley,	$1,280 00	
Miss D. S. Lothrop,	600 00	
		$1,880 00

Fuel, &c.

Mrs. Jos. Nichols, cleaning,	$11 35	
Lincoln Bros., coal and wood,	46 41	
Herbert P. Brown, Janitor,	50 00	
Solomon J. Hayden, cleaning,	8 00	
Tower, Bro. & Co., coal and wood,	72 71	
		$188 47

Repairs, &c.

Thomas L. Bates, gravel and carting,	$7 50	
Samuel Bates, supplies, &c.,	21 28	
Charles H. Mott, whitening,	6 00	
W. A. W. Tilden, repairing desks, &c.,	6 75	
Gross & Nichols, supplies,	1 53	
D. W. Pratt, painting.	14 22	
		$57 28

NORTH SCHOOL.

Teaching.

Miss Myra W. Bates,	$204 00	
Miss Susie L. Stoddard,	180 00	
Miss Minnie N. Fox,	136 00	
Miss Martha P. Bates,	120 00	
		$640 00

Fuel, &c.

Levi Tower, Janitor,	$20 00	
" " labor on wood,	3 00	
Solomon J. Hayden, cleaning,	4 00	
Lincoln Bros., wood and coal,	35 50	
Tower, Bro. & Co., " "	7 48	
		$69 98

Repairs, &c.

H. O. Beale, labor,	$1 00	
" " carpentering,	103 94	
Samuel Bates, repairing, supplies, &c.,	8 35	
Levi Tower, repairing locks,	2 00	
S. J. Hayden, cleaning vaults,	5 50	
Smith & Company, desk,	13 00	
Ziba C. Small, painting, &c.,	43 16	
Thomas Willcutt, repairing windows,	4 25	
Carroll W. Clark, desk,	14 00	
Gross & Nichols, broom,	35	
		$195 55

CENTRE SCHOOL.

Teaching.

Miss Annie A. Souther,	$340 00	
Miss Sarah E. Fox,	300 00	
		$640 00

Fuel, &c.

Lawrence E. Willard, Janitor,	$20 00	
Lincoln Bros., coal,	67 99	
Solomon J. Hayden, cleaning,	7 00	
		$94 99

Repairs, &c.

Samuel Bates, supplies, &c.,	$10 75	
S. J. Hayden, cleaning vaults,	3 50	
Shepard, Norwell & Co., curtains,	3 00	
Charles H. Mott, whitening,	4 89	
Ziba C. Small, painting, &c.,	36 26	
Gross & Nichols, supplies,	34	
Cushman Bros. & Co., curtains,	2 20	
Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber, &c.,	9 16	
		$70 10

SOUTH SCHOOL.

Teaching.

Miss Josie L. Vinal,	$340 00	
Miss Myra L. Beal,	300 00	
		$640 00

Fuel, &c.

Solomon J. Hayden, sifting coal, &c.,	$2 25	
" " Janitor,	21 00	
Lincoln Bros., coal,	52 22	
S. J. Hayden, cleaning,	6 00	
		$81 47

Repairs, &c.

Charles F. Tilden, 1886 bill,	$ 75	
Samuel Bates, supplies, &c.,	19 85	
S. J. Hayden, cleaning vaults,	2 75	
Smith & Company, desk,	13 00	
Charles H. Mott, whitening, &c.,	17 62	
John J. Lincoln, carpentering,	32 37	
Ziba C. Small, painting, &c.,	69 20	
Cushman Bros. & Co., curtains,	6 72	
D. W. Pratt, setting glass,	1 10	
Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber, &c.,	15 36	
		$178 72

BEECHWOOD SCHOOL.

Teaching.

Lot W. Bates,	$450 00	
Miss Georgiana Bates,	300 00	
		$750 00

Fuel, &c.

Mrs. C. L. Morris, Janitor,	$20 00	
Charles H. Wood, use of well,	2 00	
A. B. Litchfield, cleaning,	6 00	
Aaron Pratt, wood,	55 00	
		$83 00

Repairs, &c.

D. B. Frances, repairing funnel,	$3 00	
J. W. Bates, 2d, moving building, &c.,	11 50	
Charles E. Bailey, repairing clock,	1 00	
Charles H. Mott, whitening, &c.,	13 93	
Ziba C. Small, painting, &c.,	30 60	
John J. A. Pratt, shingling, &c.,	176 85	
Samuel Bates, hatchet,	60	
Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber, &c.,	17 06	
		$254 54

ELM STREET SCHOOL.

Teaching.

Miss Lizzie C. Bates,		$340 00

Rent etc.

Philander Bates,		125 00

Repairs, etc.

H. O. Beale, carpentering,	20 75	
Thomas Bates, moving building,	1 50	
Samuel Bates, supplies, etc.,	2 41	
		24 66

HARBOR SCHOOL.

Teaching.

Miss Priscilla L. Collier,		300 00

Fuel, etc.

William Hayden, janitor,	12 00	
Mrs. Mary Thomas, cleaning,	8 00	
W. L. Creed & Co., supplies,	66	
Tower, Bro. & Co., coal and wood,	24 66	
		45 32

Repairs, etc.

S. J. Hayden, cleaning vaults in 1884,	2 50	
S. J. Hayden, cleaning vaults in 1887,	1 25	
Shepard, Norwell & Co., curtains,	3 00	
Chas. H. Mott, whitening, etc.,	6 35	
John J. Lincoln, hanging windows,	90	
Ziba C. Small, painting, etc.,	28 00	
Samuel Bates, ventilation, etc.,	24 66	
H. O. Beale, carpentering,	13 14	
		79 80

JERUSALEM SCHOOL.

Teaching.

Miss Annie Fox,		340 00

Fuel, etc.

Miss Annie S. Lean, care of room,	$8 00	
Miss Annie Fox, care of room,	1 50	
Miss Annie Fox, cleaning,	4 50	
Miss Annie Fox, supplies,	2 10	
Manuel S. Leonard, cleaning,	12 00	
Lincoln Bros., wood,	41 50	
Alden Beal, wood,	3 50	
		$73 10

Repairs, etc.

Samuel Bates, supplies,	3 97	
H. O. Beale, carpentering,	117 83	
Chas. H. Mott, plastering,	37 00	
Ziba C. Small, painting, etc.,	13 65	
Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber,	9 74	
		182 19

KING STREET SCHOOL.

Teaching.

Miss Martha P. Bates,	204 00	
Miss Rubie B. Sampson,	136 00	
		340 00

Fuel, etc.

Mrs. Sarah McCormick, cleaning,	7 00	
James McCormick, care of room,	9 25	
Harry W. Burbank, wood,	19 00	
Tower, Bro. & Co., fuel,	19 00	
		54 25

Repairs, etc.

Eben James, repairs, gravel, etc.,	14 00	
Samuel Bates, supplies, etc.,	18 95	
Chas. H. Mott, whitening, etc.,	3 75	
Ziba C. Small, painting, etc.,	13 18	
John J. A. Pratt, repairs,	6 00	
Tower, Bro. & Co., shingles, etc.,	22 05	
		77 93

Miscellaneous.

Sundry bills for books and stationery, .		$664 38
Israel C. Vinal, truant officer in 1886, .	$12 00	
Andrew H. Prouty, truant officer to January 1, 1887, ...	6 00	
Andrew H. Prouty truant officer in 1887,	30 00	
E. E. Wentworth, truant officer to May 1, 1887, ...	15 00	
Transporting Scholars from Jerusalem District, ...	57 07	
Transporting Scholars from Beechwood District, ...	136 00	
Beal's Express, ...	19 65	
Rev. J. W. Savage, Purchasing Agent to April 1, 1887, ...	50 00	
E. P. Collier, Purchasing Agent to Jan. 1, 1888, ...	35 00	
Geo. S. Perry, ink wells, etc., . .	2 25	
J. H. Bufford & Sons, Diplomas, . .	5 00	
H. C. Kendall, Filling Diplomas, . .	80	
M. R. Warren, Printing, . . .	75	
Cohasset Cottager, Printing, . . .	12 00	
A. T. Bliss & Co., " . . .	10 50	
Stanley & Usher, " . . .	5 50	
Pratt Brother, Advertising, etc., . .	6 25	
C. Lothrop, Treasurer, ...	50 00	
J. L. Hammett, Chairs, ...	7 80	461 57

Recapitulation.

Paid for Teaching, ...	$5,870 00	
" " Fuel, etc., ...	815 58	
" " Repairs, etc., ...	1,120 77	
" " Books and Stationery, . .	664 38	
" " Miscellaneous, ...	461 57	
		$8,932 30

CREDIT.

Cash on hand January 1, 1887, . . .	$1 01	
Amount of chool Appropriation, . .	7,500 00	
Rec'd from State School Fund 1886, .	23 30	
" " Dog Licenses in 1886, . .	226 19	
Interest, Ripley Fund in 1886, . .	48 05	
Desk sold Ziba C. Small, . . .	3 00	
Expended in excess of appropriation, .	1,130 75	$8,932 30

C. LOTHROP, { *Treasurer* / *School Committee.*

Approved:

EDW. F. RIPLEY, E. P. COLLIER, { *Auditing Committee.*

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF COHASSET, FOR THE YEAR 1887.

REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF COHASSET,

FOR THE YEAR 1887.

TO THE CITIZENS OF COHASSET:

The Committee in presenting this report to you for 1887 will try briefly to give a thorough statement of the condition of your schools as regards results attained by teachers and scholars; also as regards improvements, sanitary conditions, and wants for the year 1888.

At the annual meeting of the Town last March, the School Board was increased to six members. We will not here state the advantages or disadvantages of a Committee of six, but leave that matter for each citizen to judge for himself.

Your Committee can heartily testify to their appreciation of the efforts made by the Rev. Joseph Osgood in his many years of service in the schools of your town, for they can see what a task was his in schools difficult to grade, contending almost alone with the perplexities which daily arise in school matters. The good result of his earnest work in the Cohasset schools for nearly a half century have been constantly apparent to the Committee during this year of school work.

Since September the Committee have been at work grading the Grammar schools. Several meetings each month have been held, sometimes as a Committee, sometimes with the teachers. As a result a course of studies covering four instead of three years has

been adopted for these schools, it being apparent that three years did not give sufficient time to satisfactorily fit scholars for the High School. At the same time a daily order of exercises was made out for the Grammar Schools, and this, together with a schedule of the course of study, has been printed and placed in the hands of all the teachers of these Schools. The teachers are thus enabled to know definitely what ground they are expected to cover with each class during the year, and the Committee can more readily detect any failure on the part of a teacher in performing the work laid out for her.

It is the intention of the Committee hereafter to award diplomas to all scholars satisfactorily completing the Grammar School course. Regulations for the government of all the schools have been adopted by the Committee, printed and bound in a convenient form and put in the hands of all the teachers.

During the year there has been a vacancy in the North Grammar School, caused by the resignation of Miss Myra W. Bates, which was filled by the appointment of Miss Martha P. Bates, who was transferred from the King Street School. The vacancy in the King Street School has been filled by the choice of Miss Rubie B. Sampson, a Normal School graduate, who had taught three years in the Marshfield schools and came with the best of recommendations from the School Committee of that town. The choice was made by competitive examination, and, while the Committee regret that they could not accept one of their own townspeople, they consider the town fortunate in securing the services of a young lady who cannot fail to make her mark as a teacher.

The Committee regret that the ill-health of Miss Susie L. Stoddard has compelled her to give up the charge of her school since last June.

Miss Stoddard is one of our best teachers, has taught in our schools for nearly fourteen years, and it seems right that we should hold this school open for her return in the Spring Her substitute, Miss Minnie N. Fox, has given as good satisfaction as an inexperienced substitute could, and although suffering in comparison with the experienced teacher of that school, meets the approval of the Committee and the majority of the parents.

It has been decided by the Committee to make the Intermediate School, under the charge of Miss Lizzie C. Bates, a Grammar School to complement the Harbor primary, it being their opinion

that in this way it would as well serve the original purpose of relieving the Centre School, while the number of classes in each grade of the latter school would be the same as in the other schools throughout the town.

It is a difficult matter to criticise the merits and demerits of the teachers of our schools. We have some unusually good teachers, teachers that could command much higher salaries than we pay them if they were inclined to try their fortunes elsewhere. There are others of whom we cannot speak so confidently. They have their weak points as teachers, but undoubtedly try hard and certainly have done much better work since the beginning of the fall term. Many parents who misjudge and unjnstly condemn teachers would do well to visit the Schools, at least on Parents' Day, (the last Wednesday of each term), and not be influenced by reports often thoughtless and perhaps malicious. Let us all, Committee and citizens alike, be charitable and not condemn teachers without a personal investigation of rumors and reports. Will not the citizens of the town resolve this year to give more attention to the duty of visiting the schools in which their children are receiving their education?

We would commend Mr. Prouty for his good work in attending to truants. No doubt truancy exists today in our .schools, but the strict inquiry of your Committee into all cases that have been reported and the watchfulness of our truant officer has had good effect in bringing such cases to a minimum.

Last June, Messrs. Bigelow and Ripley of the Committee were chosen to superintend repairs in the different school buildings during the summer vacation. Although realizing that the Committee would far exceed the appropriation, it was deemed best to spend seven or eight hundred dollars in putting our school-rooms in bettter condition as to looks, comfort, and particularly as to sanitary arrangements.

New floors were laid in the North Grammar and Primary Schools, the walls of the rooms painted, and the woodwork varnished. The roof of the Beechwood School was shingled at a cost of $150, and other repairs made there and at the King Street School. The Jerusalem School was newly plastered and new outhouses were built. The ventilation of the Harbor School water closets was attended to, and repairs were made on those of the South Grammar and Primary Schools. All the school-rooms were

thoroughly cleaned, the walls painted in nearly all the schools and the ceilings whitened, the desks and woodwork varnished, and all necessary repairs were made.

Our school buildings will not probably need so heavy an outlay for repairs for many years to come, and will not need painting on the outside until another year. Still, there are always little repairs to be made, and the Centre and Beechwood Schools will need new out-buildings this year.

Water has been put into several of the schools by order of the Selectmen; the expense of same, which was quite heavy at the Centre School, was not charged to the school appropriation.

The Committee have found the teachers earnest, striving to understand what is required of them, but sadly needing a superintendent, a wide-awake man experienced in the best and newest methods of teaching, who could look after every detail in the school management, and as your Committee we would impress on your minds the importance of a thorough supervision of your schools another year.

It can readily be seen that it would be for the best interests of the schools to empower your Committee to elect a Superintendent who could devote his whole time to the schools in this town, but this would require an annual appropriation of at least $1000, an expenditure larger, perhaps, than the town would feel willing to make for this purpose.

We would therefore ask you to vote at the annual Town Meeting in March to allow us to unite with the School Committee of the town of Hingham in the choice of a Superintendent, Cohasset to pay $600 for two-fifths of his time, and Hingham $900 for three-fifths of his time. The Committee of that town speak very highly of their Superintendent, Mr. Louis P. Nash, and we would be fortunate in securing the services of a man thoroughly interested in school work and in children, and with experience as a successful teacher and superintendent.

We would also call your attention to the fact that our teachers' salaries in the primary, grammar and mixed grades are much below the average when compared with towns like Belmont, Weston, Hyde Park, and many others. Many of these towns cannot compare with ours in wealth, and we know and feel that our citizens are anxious that our schools should be kept up to a high standard, and should take a high rank in the State, and this can

only be done by a liberal outlay for school purposes. The work of the teachers in these schools has been much increased in the last three or four years without a corresponding increase in pay, and the Committee feel that they have hardly the right to demand of them the work which they are now called upon to perform except at an increased compensation, especially in view of the fact that the course of study as now laid out calls for much more work from these teachers than ever before. The salaries of our janitors are also ridiculously small. It seems to us that the town can afford to pay more than fifty cents a week for the care of two rooms.

We would this year call the attention of our townspeople to the advantages of a large central school building, containing the North Grammar and Primary, Centre Grammar and Primary, South Grammar and Primary, and the Harbor and Elm Street Schools. Provision must be made before another year for our High School which will have more pupils in 1889 than it can possibly accommodate. The Centre, Elm Street, Harbor and North Primary Schools barely accommodate this year's pupils. In some instances, in years past, we are told that owing to the crowded condition of certain Primary Schools some of the pupils had to be advanced to the Grammar Schools one year before they were qualified to enter, thus completely disarranging our whole plan for grading the schools.

Now we claim that our North, South, Centre and Harbor School property could be disposed of for a good round sum, especially the North, which is a valuable piece of property for building, being situated at the junction of the Jerusalem Road, and that a building of ten rooms could be built, designed according to the latest and best ideas in school-house construction, with perfect ventilation, comfortably and economically heated by furnace or steam heat, an ornament to the town, and, best of all, a school where scholars could be perfectly graded and where all the teachers and scholars would be under the direct supervision of one man.

Many of our school-rooms today are ventilated by the opening of windows, which, if done with the utmost care, often results in sickness to those exposed to draughts of air, necessitating absence from school.

Many of our schools within ten years will need exetensive and

costly repairs. The Committee recommend that our citizens give this matter their attention this year. The cost of construction of such a building would be largely met by the sale of the properties mentioned above, and an additional saving would be the rental of the Elm Street School.

We cannot make our schools too perfect; we cannot be too liberal in expenditures in the cause of education; then why not this year appropriate enough to start this central building and complete it next year? It would be the wisest step the town has taken in school matters since its incorporation. But whatever is done, we have warned you as your Committee that better accommodations must be provided for the High School before September, 1889, or we shall not have a school-room large enough to accommodate the scholars that will graduate from the Grammar Schools at the close of the June term.

In order to make our school system complete, there should be employed a special teacher of music for all the schools, who should take the scholar in hand on entering the Primary School and carry him along until he graduates from the High School, when he should be able to read music at sight with the same facility that he would perform a task in any study which has entered into his school course.

It is a rare thing to find among the graduates of our schools persons able to take up a piece of music of even moderate difficulty and sing it at sight, and we continually feel the need of good singers in our choirs and at all sociable meetings.

The introduction of such a system would cost $200 annually, and it seems to us it would be money well spent by the town.

The following table gives the number of pupils registered in the different Schools the past year.

Schools.	Teachers.	Winter Term.	Spring and Summer Terms.	Fall Term.
High School	Mr. Arthur Stanley..... Miss D. S. Lothrop	51	47	61
North Grammar	" Myra W. Bates ..... " Martha P. Bates.....	27	25	22
South Grammar	" Josie L. Vinal.....	23	20	22
Centre Grammar	" Annie A. Souther.....	29	27	22
Elm St. Grammar	" Lizzie C. Bates.....	35	30	36
Beechwood Grammar	Mr. L. Webster Bates.....	27	23	27
North Primary	Miss Susie L. Stoddard..... " Minnie N. Fox.....	29	30	28
South Primary	" Myra L. Beal.....	22	29	24
Centre Primary	" Sarah E. Fox	32	33	33
Harbor Primary	" Lilla L. Collier.....	33	38	38
Beechwood Primary	" Georgiana Bates.....	27	27	19
King St. (Mixed)	" Martha P. Bates..... " Rubie B. Sampson.....	18	25	21
Jerusalem (Mixed)	" Annie Fox.....	30	26	28
		383	380	381

Respectfully submitted,

EDW. F. RIPLEY, *Chairman*,
E. P. COLLIER, *Secretary*,
JOSEPH S. BIGELOW,
GRENVILLE D. BRAMAN,
HERBERT O. BEALE,

A majority of the School Committee of Cohasset.

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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS

OF THE

TOWN OF COHASSET,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1888,

INCLUDING REPORTS OF THE

Town Clerk, Treasurer, School Committee,
Public Library, and Selectmen.

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OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1888-89.

Town Clerk, NEWCOMB B. TOWER.

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor,

J. Q. A. LOTHROP,	Term expires	March 1, 1891.
PHILANDER BATES,	" "	March 1, 1890.
CALEB F. NICHOLS,	" "	March 1, 1889.

Treasurer and Collector of Taxes, ABRAHAM H. TOWER.

Highway Surveyors.

THOMAS BATES, JAMES PETTEE, AMOS E. TILDEN, SAMUEL E. PRATT, WALDO C. LOCKE.

School Committee.

REV. JOHN W. SAVAGE,	Term expires	March 1, 1891.
JOSEPH S. BIGELOW, Esq.,	" "	March 1, 1891.
MR. HERBERT O. BEALE,	" "	March 1, 1889.
GRENVILLE D. BRAMAN, Esq.,	" "	March 1, 1889.
MR. EDWARD F. RIPLEY,	" "	March 1, 1890.
MR. E. POMEROY COLLIER,	" "	March 1, 1890.

Constables.

EDWARD E. WENTWORTH, JOHN ROCHE, JR., ROBERT L. CURTIS,
CHARLES L. KITTRELL, CHARLES E. NOTT, HENRY BRENNOCK.

Field Drivers.

CALEB LINCOLN, CYRUS W. WOOD, JOSEPH A. ANTOINE.
GEORGE JASON.

Fence Viewers.

J. FOSTER DOANE, CHARLES E. NOTT.

Measurers of Wood and Bark.

MORGAN B. STETSON. EZRA BROWN.

Fire Wards,

ZACCHEUS RICH, EDWARD E. WENTWORTH, ALDEN BEAL,
A. BRADFORD LITCHFIELD.

Surveyor of Lumber, ABRAHAM H. TOWER, JR.

Forest Fire-Wards,

HORATIO G. PRATT, THOMAS L. BATES, WALDO C. LOCKE.

Sealer of Weights and Measures, ALLEN C. BATES.

Auctioneers,

LOUIS N. LINCOLN, J. Q. A. LOTHROP, AARON PRATT,
HORATIO G. PRATT.

Trustees of the Public Library,

MR. EDWARD E. ELLMS,	Term expires	March 1, 1889.
LOUIS T. CUSHING, Esq.,	" "	March 1, 1889.
MR. ABRAHAM H. TOWER,	" "	March 1, 1889.
REV. JOSEPH OSGOOD,	" "	March 1, 1890.
MISS SARAH SIG. PRATT,	" "	March 1, 1890.
MISS EDITH M. BATES,	" "	March 1, 1890.
MRS. ABRAHAM H. TOWER,	" "	March 1, 1891.
MISS SARAH B. COLLIER,	" "	March 1, 1891.
CAPT. JOHN W. BATES,	" "	March 1, 1891.

Undertaker, ZACCHEUS RICH.

Pound Keeper, LEVI L. WORRICK.

Registrars of Voters,

CHARLES F. TILDEN,	Term expires	May 1, 1891.
C. JAMES PRATT,	" "	May 1, 1889.
JOHN M. DAMON,	" "	May 1, 1890.

NEWCOMB B. TOWER, Town Clerk, *ex-officio.*

EXTRACTS FROM THE TOWN RECORDS.

At the Annual Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Cohasset, held March 5, 1888, J. Q. A. Lothrop, Esq., Moderator, it was voted, under the fourth article of the warrant, that the sum of thirty-five thousand eight hundred ninety 47-100 dollars ($35,890.47) be appropriated during the current year, as follows, viz.: —

For the Support of the Poor,	$6,000 00
the Support of Schools, School-books, and incidental expenses,	8,800 00
repairs of Highways, expended by Surveyors,	2,500 00
repairs of do. (special), expended by Selectmen,	4,500 00
removing Snow from streets and sidewalks,	600 00
Watering Streets,	900 00
Cohasset Water Company,	1,500 00
Town Officers,	1,200 00
Printing,	200 00
Fire Department,	400 00
Cohasset Public Library,	650 00
G. A. R. Post,	100 00
Miscellaneous,	600 00
School deficiency, for 1887,	1,130 75
Town Hall deficiency, for 1887,	1,799 72
Hose-house contract,	710 00
State and Military Aid,	600 00
Town Hall,	300 00
Abatement of Taxes,	300 00
Payment of Interest,	500 00
Payment of Debt,	2,000 00
Special repairs of Sidewalks, and other improvements at places that the Town may determine by the articles in the warrant asking for such appropriations, to be expended by the Selectmen,	600 00
	$35,890 47

It was voted, that the sum of eight thousand dollars ($8,000.00) be raised by direct taxation, the current year.

It was voted, under the fifth article of the warrant, that the taxes be collected in the same manner as last year, and that they be paid into the treasury at the same time of the year as then, and with the same conditions.

It was voted, under the sixth article of the warrant, that the report of the Selectmen on guide-boards be accepted. The report is as follows: —

The selectmen respectfully report that posts and guide-boards are erected and maintained at the following places: One at the corner of Beechwood and Church streets; one at the corner of Beechwood and Doane streets; one at the corner of Beechwood and King streets; one at the corner of Beechwood and South Main streets; one at the corner of South Main and Spring streets; one at the corner of Summer and Border streets; one at the corner of Jerusalem road and North Main street; one at the corner of North Main street and Forest Avenue; one at the corner of North Main and King streets; one at the corner of Forest Avenue and Jerusalem road, and one at the corner of Jerusalem road and Hull street.

It was voted, under the seventh article of the warrant, that the list of Jurors consist of the following names, viz.: —

Frank P. Appleton,
William W. Apts,
Loring Bates,
Philander Bates,
Oliver H. Bates,
Alden Beal,
Zaccheus L. Beal,
John Bryant,
George W. Cousens,
Abraham J. Antoine,
Charles F. Bennett,
John M. Damon,
Edward E. Ellms,
Stephen D. Farrar,
George O. Higgins,
Samuel G. James,
Charles L. Kittrell,
Winthrop Knight,
George W. Kimball,
Elisha Stetson,
A. Bradford Litchfield,
Waldo C. Locke,
J. Q. A. Lothrop,
Caleb Nichols,
Levi L. Nichols,
John T. Otis,
James Pettee,
Aaron Pratt,
Alson S. Richardson,
Ziba C. Small,
Morgan B. Stetson,
Abraham H. Tower,
Charles H. Willard,
Levi L. Worrick,
Horatio G. Pratt,
Andrew J. Souther.

It was voted, under the eighth article of the warrant, that the Selectmen cause the Financial Report of the condition of the Town to be printed and distributed as usual, in the month of February, next.

ARTICLE 9. To hear and act upon the report of any Committee.

Louis T. Cushing, of the Committee chosen in the year 1885, to consider the Gulf Mill question, asked, in behalf of the Committee, further time, nothing yet having been accomplished by them.

Further time was granted them.

The Selectmen could report nothing definite in relation to the acquisition of land by the town for a new cemetery.

The Selectmen reported in relation to the old Tombs in the Central Cemetery, that having been unable to consult with the owners, they have done nothing yet to abate the nuisance occasioned by their dilapidated condition.

It was informally voted at this time, that the Selectmen, with two other persons to be appointed by the Moderator, be a Committee to consider the expediency of extending Jerusalem road, and report at the next annual meeting. The Moderator appointed Asa P. Potter and G. T. W. Braman for the above Committee to act with the Selectmen.

ARTICLE 10. Shall Licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in the town the current year, in accordance with Chap. 100, Sec. 5, of the Public Statutes.

The whole number of ballots deposited was ninety-four, of which "Yes" had nine (9), and "No" eighty-five (85).

It was voted, under the eleventh article of the warrant, that the compensation of the Collector of Taxes for the current year be the same as last year, viz., two hundred dollars.

It was voted, under the twelfth article of the warrant, that this article, referring to the purchase of the whole or a part of the Hall Estate, owned by A. Abbott Lawrence, be referred to the Selectmen, with full powers to purchase the whole or a part of the same upon the best terms possible. If money be required to pay for the same, the treasurer is authorized to hire such an amount as may be required for this purpose, in anticipation of the taxes for 1889. Provided, however, that the whole cost to the Town

shall not exceed the actual cost of the estate to Mr. Lawrence, or in the same proportion for any portion of the same.

It was voted, under the thirteenth article of the warrant, that the matter of placing a hose tower and bell upon the hose-house, at the harbor, be left with the Selectmen, with authority given them to do as they may deem expedient.

It was voted, under the fourteenth article of the warrant, that the matter of building a sidewalk on Summer street, from the residence of George W. Cousens to South Main street, be left with the Selectmen, with authority to do as they may deem expedient.

It was voted, under the fifteenth article of the warrant, that the matter of taking measures to preserve the green at the junction of Jerusalem road and North Main street, be left with the Selectmen, with authority to do as they may deem expedient.

It was voted, under the sixteenth article of the warrant, that the name of Prospect street be changed to Sohier street.

It was voted, that the new street from North Main street to the railroad station, be called Ripley road.

It was voted, that the new street from Margin street, near Andrew J. Studley's residence, to Margin street, near Thomas T. Spear's residence, be called Stockbridge street.

It was voted, to pass over the seventeenth article of the warrant, relating to the building of a central school-house.

It was voted, under the eighteenth article of the warrant, that the School Committee be instructed to employ a Superintendent of Schools, who shall be a resident of this town.

It was voted, under the nineteenth article of the warrant, that the Overseers of the Poor be authorized to release the Town's interest in the David Vinal estate, upon the payment of twenty dollars per year to the Town being guaranteed during the life of Mr. Vinal.

It was voted, under the twentieth article of the warrant, that the matter of causing the gutter at the corner of Elm and Brooks streets to be repaired, or in some way to be made safe and convenient for travel, be referred to the Selectmen, with authority to do what to them may seem to be required.

It was voted, under the twenty-first article of the warrant, that the matter of extending the sidewalk on Hull street, from the entrance to the estate of W. W. Clapp to the residence of Alden Beal, be referred to the Selectmen, with authority to do what they

may think proper; the money to pay for the same to be taken from the amount appropriated for this and other special improvements. under the fourth article of the warrant.

It was voted, under the twenty-second article of the warrant, that the Selectmen be instructed to expend a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars in carrying out the idea of improvement of the triangular green at the harbor, between Elm and Margin streets, as expressed in writing upon the motion presented to the meeting and carried; which motion was as follows: —

"That the well be filled or covered with stone, the low parts of the inclosure filled up to grade, the whole of the ground ploughed up and graded to a uniform surface, restoring the southerly angle which has been cut away by teams, and then sow the plot down to grass. Then enclose the plot by a fence to be built of white cedar posts, with a 4 x 4 inch top rail, painted, thus giving the place a much neater appearance than in its present dilapidated condition."

The above sum, to defray the expense incurred, to be taken from the appropriation for special improvements under the fourth article of the warrant.

It was voted, under the twenty-third article of the warrant, that the matter of a trough, for the use of cows, being placed at the easterly end of Spring street, and connected with the water main; and also, the matter of a water fountain of a pattern suitable for the use of cows as well as horses, to be placed at the point of the green at the junction of Elm and Margin streets, be both referred to the Selectmen, with authority to do as they may think best.

It was voted, under the twenty-fourth article of the warrant, that the matter of the Town building a sidewalk on the northerly side of Beechwood street, from Joy hill to the residence of Thomas L. Bates, be referred to the Selectmen, to do as they may deem best; but if built, to be paid for from the amount appropriated for like purposes under the fourth article of the warrant.

It was voted, under the twenty-fifth article of the warrant, that the matter of the improvement of Doane street to the amount of two hundred dollars, be referred to the Selectmen.

Any money expended under this article to be taken from the appropriation made for special repairs under the fourth article.

It was voted, under the twenty-sixth article of the warrant, that the matter of building a sidewalk on Beechwood street, from the

residence of L. T. Cushing to the residence of Mrs. Kinsley, be referred to the Selectmen.

Any money expended under this article to be taken from the appropriation for special repairs under the fourth article.

It was voted, under the twenty-seventh article of the warrant, that the Overseers of the Poor be authorized to build a shed for the storage of carts, farming tools, etc., and to paint the buildings at the Town Farm.

It was voted, under the twenty-eighth article of the warrant, that the Selectmen be directed to request the County Commissioners of the County of Norfolk to establish a truant school or truant schools in this county, or to unite in establishing a truant school in this county or in some other county contiguous to this county, in accordance with the provisions contained in Sec. 14, Chap. 48, of the Public Statutes, and an Act amendatory thereof.

It was voted, under the twenty-ninth article of the warrant, that one hundred and fifty dollars of the sum appropriated under the fourth article for special repairs, be expended by the Selectmen in building a sidewalk from the residence of George K. Nickerson, on South Main street, to Scituate line, or, where already built, in causing the same to be gravelled.

It was voted, that the thirtieth article be passed over.

The several articles of the warrant having been acted upon and disposed of, it was voted that the customary thanks of the meeting be tendered to the Moderator for his efficient and impartial services rendered this day.

At about three o'clock P. M., it was voted that the meeting be dissolved.

ELECTION RECORD.

NOVEMBER 6, 1888.

The whole number of ballots cast at the November Election was 364, and were for the following persons, viz.:

FOR PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS.

Harrison and Morton.

George D. Robinson, of Chicopee,	At large, . . .	244
William F. Draper, of Hopedale,	" . . .	244

Cleveland and Thurman.

John Boyle O'Reilly, of Boston,	At large, . . .	107
George M. Stearns, of Chicopee,	" . . .	107

Fisk and Brooks.

James H. Roberts, of Cambridge,	At large, . . .	12
John Blackmer, of Springfield,	" . . .	12
Blank, ...		1
John H. Reed, of Barnstable,	District No. 1, . .	244
Thomas C. Day, of Barnstable,	" . .	107
John D. Flint, of Fall River,	" . .	12
Blank, ...		1
George E. Freeman, of Brockton,	District No. 2, . .	244
Bushrod Morse, of Sharon,	" . .	107
William J. Smith, of Taunton,	" . .	12
Blank, ...		1
Halsey J. Boardman, of Boston,	District No. 3, . .	244
Nathan Matthews, Jr., of Boston,	" . .	107
James M. Gray, of Boston,	" . .	12
Blank, ...		1
Elijah Mertain Hatch, of Boston,	District No. 4, . .	244
Matthew Keaney, of Boston,	" . .	107
Israel S. Trafton, of Boston,	" . .	12
Blank, ...		1
Henry J. Wells, of Cambridge,	District No. 5, . .	244
Charles H. Taylor, of Boston,	" . .	107
Andrew Howes, of Boston,	" . .	12
Blank, ...		1

Horatio Wellington, of Boston,	District No. 6,	244
Henry Bradlee, of Medford,	"	107
George H. Harwood, of Lynn,	"	12
Blank,		1
Francis Norwood, of Beverly,	District No. 7,	244
James F. Dean, of Salem,	"	107
Daniel W. Friend, of Manchester,	"	12
Blank,		1
Charles U. Bell, of Lawrence,	District No. 8,	244
John C. Sanborn, of Lawrence,	"	107
Orson E. Mallory, of Lowell,	"	12
Blank,		1
Charles Q. Tirrell, of Natick,	District No. 9,	244
William Aspinwall, of Brookline,	"	107
Charles M. Bowers, of Clinton,	"	12
Blank,		1
Frank P. Goulding, of Worcester,	District No. 10,	244
Edward W. Lincoln, of Worcester,	"	107
Edward D. Conant, of Worcester,	"	12
Blank,		1
Chester C. Conant, of Greenfield,	District No. 11,	244
Frederic S. Coolidge, of Ashburnham,	"	107
Julius H. Seelye, of Amherst,	"	12
Blank,		1
Elisha Morgan, of Springfield,	District No. 12,	244
Walter Cutting, of Pittsfield,	"	107
Howard A. Gibbs, of Lee,	"	12
Blank,		1

FOR GOVERNOR.

Oliver Ames, of Easton,	248
William E. Russell, of Cambridge,	101
William H. Earle, of Worcester,	12
Blank,	3

FOR LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.

John Q. A. Brackett, of Arlington,	249
John W. Corcoran, of Clinton,	100
John Bascom, of Williamstown,	12
Blank,	3

FOR SECRETARY.

Henry B. Peirce, of Abington,	249
William N. Osgood, of Boston,	102
Henry C. Smith, of Williamsburg,	12
Blank,	1

FOR TREASURER AND RECEIVER-GENERAL.

George A. Marden, of Lowell,	249
Henry C. Thacher, of Yarmouth,	102
John M. Fisher, of Attleborough,	12
Blank,	1

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL.

Andrew J. Waterman, of Pittsfield,	247
Samuel O. Lamb, of Greenfield,	103
Allen Coffin, of Nantucket,	12
Blank,	2

FOR AUDITOR.

Charles R. Ladd, of Springfield,	249
William A. Williams, of Worcester,	102
Edmund M. Stowe, of Hudson,	12
Blank,	1

FOR COUNCILLOR—District No. 1.

Isaac N. Keith, of Bourne,	247
John M. Hathaway, of Fairhaven,	103
Henry C. Coombs, of Middleborough,	12
Blank,	2

FOR REGISTER OF DEEDS.—Norfolk County.

John H. Burdakin, of Dedham,	351
Aaron R. Morse, of Franklin,	12
Blank,	1

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER.—Norfolk County.

Melville P. Morrill, of Hyde Park,	245
Don Gleason Hill, of Dedham,	105
Marcus M. Porter, of Avon,	12
Blank,	2

For County Treasurer.—Norfolk County.

Chauncey C. Churchill, of Dedham,	247
Ferdinand F. Favor, of Dedham,	103
George Kempton, of Sharon,	12
Blank,	2

For Register of Probate and Insolvency.

Jonathan Cobb, of Dedham,	350
George A. Beedem, of Weymouth,	12
Blank,	2

For Representative to Congress.—District No. 2.

Elijah A. Morse, of Canton,	224
Josiah Quincy, of Quincy,	125
William H. Phillips, of Taunton,	11
Blank,	4

For Senator.—First Plymouth District.

Jubal C. Gleason, of Rockland,	248
William T. Davis, of Plymouth,	102
Greenleaf Kilbreth, of Pembroke,	12
Blank,	2

For Representative to General Court.—Fourth Plymouth District.

Z. Taylor Harrington, of Hull,	237
Charles F. Tilden, of Cohasset,	107
Edward S. Ufford, of Hingham,	14
L. P. Loring, of Hull,	2
Blank,	4

The vote of the Fourth Plymouth District, comprising the towns of Cohasset, Hingham and Hull, for Representative to the General Court, was as follows, viz:

	Cohasset.	Hingham.	Hull.	Total.
Z. Taylor Harrington, of Hull,	237	489	100	826
Charles F. Tilden, of Cohasset,	107	273	2	382
Edward S. Ufford, of Hingham,	14	62	5	81
Lewis P. Loring, of Hull,	2	18	0	20
Wallace Corthell, of Hingham,	0	1	0	1
Blanks,	4	9	0	13
Total,	364	852	107	1323

Z. Taylor Harrington, of Hull, having a plurality of the votes in the District, was elected, and his certificate of election made out accordingly.

Fire Record, 1888.

Feb. 25. Fire in the basement of the Church of St. Anthony. Damage $25.00.

Sept. 22. Laundry building and contents, belonging to Margaret M. Stuart, on Margin street, totally destroyed. Loss on building $50.00. Contents, $300.00.

Nov. 5. Woodland, belonging to Cummings Lothrop, and situated near North Main street. Damage $25.00

Dogs Licensed in 1888.

Male,	164
Female,	9
Total,	173

Number of Enrolled Militia, May 1, 1888, 359.

N. B. TOWER, *Town Clerk.*

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

The Librarian of the Cohasset Free Public Library respectfully submits her Annual Report.

With eight exceptions, the Library opened every Library day during the year.

In that time the number of books issued was 8067; the largest delivery being on March 31st, of 152 books; the smallest, June 27th, 25 books.

There are registered to date 1269 borrowers.

Number of books added the past year: By donation, 62 volumes and pamphlets; by purchase, 96; by binding, 21. Number of books in the library, including pamphlets, 4443.

Gifts of books have been received from Mr. Waldo Higginson, Mr. J. Q. A. Lothrop, The Bostonian Society, State and Government.

Classification of reading the past year:

History and Biography,	334
Travel and Geography,	306
Science and Art,	60
Literature and Poetry,	139
Fiction,	5622
Magazines,	1533
Agriculture,	51
Religion,	22
	8067

SARAH B. COLLIER, *Librarian.*

COHASSET, Jan. 4, 1889.

DR. COHASSET FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY in Account with A. H. TOWER, Treasurer. CR.

1888–1889.		1888–1889.	
To paid bill for bookbinding,	$13 65	By balance from former account,	$64 67
Subscription, Scribner's Magazine,	2 75	Received from fines,	25 20
Copy N. A. Review, as lost,	38	" from sale of cards,	5 20
Postal Cards,	25	" from sale of catalogues,	1 75
Houghton, Mifflin & Co., bills,	16 50	" from out of town borrowers,	1 00
Estes & Lauriat, bills, books,	152 94	" Town Appropriation, 1888,	650 00
Greenough, Hopkins & Cushing, paper,	3 60		
Library Bureau, call slips,	30		
D. W. Pratt, bill 1887,	3 20		
Samuel Bates, bill 1888,	14 44		
Beal's Express, bill 1888,	3 50		
Expenditures by Librarian,	2 18		
Librarian's Salary,	150 00		
	$363 69		
Balance unexpended,	384 13		
	$747 82		$747 82

COHASSET, January, 1889.

A. H. TOWER, *Treasurer.*

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN

OF THE EXPENDITURES, AND THE FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE TOWN OF COHASSET, FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31ST, 1888.

Repairs of Highways.

THOMAS BATES, Surveyor.

Paid Thomas Bates and team,		$105 32	
Thomas L. Bates,	"	102 63	
John Bates,	"	50 00	
Levi L. Worrick,	"	55 11	
C. F. B. Tilden,	"	31 21	
E. E. Ellms,	"	21 00	
Charles White,	"	29 75	
Charles Curtis,	labor,	55 00	
Plummer F. Palmer,	"	38 50	
William F. Campbell,	"	7 44	
Eugene McSweeney,	"	23 50	
John R. Colbrith,	"	88	
William White,	"	4 37	
			$524 71

Amount expended by THOMAS BATES, Surveyor, under the direction of the Selectmen, on No. Main, Pleasant, and Beach Streets:

Paid Thomas Bates and team,		$7 38	
Thomas L. Bates,	"	5 00	
Benjamin White,	labor,	31 63	
William White,	"	3 50	
Arthur Studley,	"	2 62	
James O'Brien,	"	4 37	
John Ney,	"	70 40	
William F. Campbell,	"	1 75	
Patrick Mulcahy,	"	7 00	
Joseph Lawrence,	"	27 75	
Est. G. P. Pratt,	gravel,	40 60	
Edward E. Tower,	"	43 41	
Cummings Lothrop,	"	7 00	
			$252 41
Total amount expended,			$777 12

JAMES PETTEE, Surveyor.

Paid James Pettee and team,		$127 75	
Alden Beal	"	73 50	
Thomas L. Bates	"	63 00	
John Beals	"	35 50	
Thomas Reedy,	labor,	67 37	
Joseph F. Priest,	"	54 25	
Thomas F. Sheridan	"	28 87	
William Lee,	"	28 87	
John Kelley,	"	35 25	
Michael Curley,	"	35 25	
Thomas Roche, smithing,		85	
C. F. Nichols,	gravel,	16 00	
Henry M. Whitney,	"	17 75	
Edward E. Tower.	"	10 50	
			$594 71

Amount expended by JAMES PETTEE, Surveyor, under the direction of the Selectmen, on Jerusalem Road:

Paid James Pettee and team,		$159 12	
Alden Beal,	"	276 25	
C. F. B. Tilden,	"	387 50	
Amos E. Tilden,	"	131 25	
Joseph Jason,	"	108 75	
Thomas L. Bates,	"	98 75	
John Beals, crushed stone,		973 83	
Thomas F. Sheridan, labor,		80 49	
George F. Ennice,	"	23 62	
Manuel Jason,	"	40 25	
Thomas Reedy,	"	89 87	
Joseph F. Priest,	"	39 50	
William Mulvey,	"	21 87	
Frank M. Nichols, smithing,		4 15	
Edward E. Tower, gravel,		8 25	
Gross & Nichols, rendrock,		2 13	
			$2,445 58

On Hull Street.

Paid James Pettee and team,	$78 00	
Thomas L. Bates, "	68 50	
Amos E. Tilden, "	27 50	
Thomas Reedy, labor,	44 62	
Michael Curley, "	30 62	
John Kelley, "	30 62	
Charles F. Tilden, smithing,	3 84	
John C. Howe, curbstone,	14 50	
O. C. R. R., freight,	4 80	
Henry M. Whitney, gravel,	28 00	
Frank M. Nichols, smithing,	35	
Hingham Water Co., removing ledge,	225 00	
Charles Wilson, covering stone,	21 60	
		$577 95
Total amount expended,		$3,618 24

SAMUEL E. PRATT, Surveyor.

Paid Samuel E. Pratt and team,	$163 59	
William W. Bates "	13 50	
Oliver H. Bates "	22 50	
Levi Lincoln "	17 25	
Sam'l V. Hardwick "	24 00	
Horace J. Damon "	27 30	
Edwin Bates "	13 50	
Ira B. Pratt "	13 50	
Thos. W. Whitcomb "	6 12	
Louis T. Cushing "	9 00	
George W. Mealy "	5 50	
John W. Bates "	8 25	
George W. Kimball "	3 50	
Caleb Lincoln "	5 50	
Aaron Pratt, labor, team and gravel,	32 84	
Joseph J. Silva, labor,	18 81	
James W. Ashton, "	35 00	
Frank L. Frates, "	6 25	
Abraham J. Antone, "	8 75	
Levi T. Lincoln, "	2 63	
Amount carried forward,	$437 29	

Amount brought forward, ...	$437 29	
Thomas Williams, labor, . .	6 13	
P. Franklin Burgess, " . .	5 25	
Foster Litchfield, " . .	7 87	
Frank Frates, " . .	7 44	
Joseph Avillar, " . .	6 56	
Edwin W. Bates, " . .	5 68	
L. L. Wheelwright, " . .	3 50	
Asahel F. Nott, " . .	3 50	
Alfred Haskell, " . .	2 62	
Irving Lincoln, " . .	87	
Manuel Silva, " . .	1 75	
Isaiah Lincoln, gravel, . . .	3 29	
Otis Mott, " . . .	2 75	
Henry Seaverns, gravel and rendrock,	5 50	
		$500 00

Amount expended by Samuel E. Pratt, Surveyor, under the direction of the Selectmen, on Doane Street:

Paid Samuel E. Pratt and team, . .	$42 30	
Horace J. Damon " . .	7 00	
Oliver H. Bates " . .	1 75	
Thos. W. Whitcomb " . .	7 25	
Jos. W. Whitcomb, " . .	6 37	
Manuel Silva, " . .	3 50	
William W. Bates, " . .	11 00	
Aaron Pratt, labor, team and gravel.	16 30	
Edward W. Bates, labor, . .	3 50	
Edwin Bates, " . .	1 75	
Sam'l V. Hardwick, " . .	3 50	
James W. Ashton, " . .	5 25	
Isaiah Lincoln, gravel, . . .	5 53	
		$115 00

South Main Street Sidewalk.

Paid Samuel E. Pratt and team, . .	$21 35	
William W. Bates " . .	16 50	
Ira B. Pratt " . .	5 50	
Amount carried forward, ...	$43 35	

Amount brought forward, ...	$43 35	
George W. Kimball " . .	3 50	
Abraham J. Antone, labor, . .	7 00	
Joseph Grace, " . .	7 00	
Frank Salvador, " . .	5 25	
William O. Souther, gravel, . .	4 80	
Isaiah Lincoln, " . .	1 40	
H. A. Seaverns, " . .	2 70	
		$75 00

On Beechwood Street.

Paid Samuel E. Pratt and team, . .	$4 97	
Horace J. Damon " . .	7 25	
James Ashton, labor, . .	5 25	
Sam'l V. Hardwick, " . .	1 75	
Edwin Bates, " . .	1 75	
Otis Litchfield, iron work. . .	44	
Aaron Pratt, gravel, . . .	3 07	
		$24 48
Total amount expended, ...		$714 48

WALDO C. LOCKE, Surveyor.

Paid Waldo C. Locke, labor, gravel and drills, ...	$182 45	
Frederic James, labor, . . .	68 24	
William H. Bates " . . .	28 38	
Samuel G. James, " . . .	17 50	
Levi L. Worrick, " . . .	21 00	
Caleb Lincoln, " . . .	2 75	
Otis V. Barnes, " . . .	14 88	
Samuel Nichols, " . . .	22 25	
William O. Souther, " . . .	16 76	
Edward E. Tower, gravel, . .	7 88	
Tower, Bro. & Co., drain pipe, . .	14 44	
Gross & Nichols, rendrock, . .	3 05	
M. B. Stetson & Co., hoe, . .	42	
		$400 00

Amount expended by Waldo C. Locke, Surveyor, under the direction of the Selectmen, on Pond Street:

Paid Waldo C. Locke, labor and drill,	$25 09	
Otis V. Barnes, labor,	15 75	
Frederic James, "	17 50	
Daniel Desmond, "	7 88	
Antone Salvador, "	7 88	
Samuel Nichols, labor and team,	11 00	
Wm. O. Souther, "	3 50	
Gross & Nichols, rendrook, etc.,	6 10	
Charles F. Tilden, smithing,	5 30	
		$100 00
Total amount expended,		$500 00

Amos E. Tilden, Surveyor.

Paid Amos E. Tilden and team,	$130 87	
Manuel S. Leonard, "	36 75	
Edward E. Ellms, "	10 50	
Joseph Jason, "	21 75	
George W. Mealy, "	8 25	
George M. Ennice, labor,	49 99	
Joseph Ennice, "	40 36	
Manuel Silva, "	36 74	
Manuel E. Brazil, "	27 12	
George E. Antone, "	25 36	
George Ainslie, "	28 87	
John Feriera, "	34 24	
Michael N. Brennock "	22 74	
Manuel Gracia, "	1 00	
Peter Rooney, "	1 75	
George W. Cousens, "	3 25	
Edward E. Tower, gravel,	17 86	
Est. of G. P. Pratt, "	27 60	
		$525 00

Amount expended by Amos E. Tilden, Surveyor, under the direction of the Selectmen, Brook Street Bridge:

Paid Amos E. Tilden and team,	$55 00	
Manuel Gracia, labor and stone,	59 27	
George M. Ennice, labor,	28 44	
Thomas Mulcahy, "	29 32	
John Feriera, "	12 00	
Peter Rooney, "	6 13	
Manuel S. Leonard, labor and team,	7 00	
Edward E. Tower, gravel,	13 25	
W. A. W. Tilden, labor and stock,	2 50	
Arthur Reed, care of light,	1 00	
Charles Wilson, covering stone,	12 60	
		$226 51

Sidewalk on Summer Street.

Paid Amos E. Tilden and team,	$43 40	
George M. Ennice, labor,	21 00	
John Feriera, "	14 62	
Bela Stoddard, "	6 00	
George W. Cousens, "	25	
Thomas Mulcahy, "	1 75	
Peter Rooney, "	1 75	
Manuel S. Leonard, "	88	
Manuel Silva, "	1 75	
Manuel E. Brazil, "	1 75	
George Ainslie, "	1 75	
Joseph Ennice, "	87	
Edward E. Tower, gravel,	9 15	
Est. of G. P. Pratt, "	6 45	
John C. Howe, curbstone,	18 50	
		$129 87

Paving Gutter and Filling Well on Elm Street.

Paid Amos E. Tilden and team,	$ 8 25	
Bela Stoddard, labor,	10 50	
George M. Ennice, "	7 58	
John Feriera, "	7 58	
Amount carried forward,	$33 91	

Amount brought forward, ...	$33 91	
George Ainslie, " . .	4 37	
Joseph Ennice, " . .	4 37	
Manuel S. Leonard, " . .	1 75	
Est. of G. P. Pratt, gravel, . .	3 30	
Edward E. Tower, " . .	75	
John C. Howe, covering stone, .	3 00	
		$51 45

On Sidewalk and Ledges, South Main Street.

Paid Amos E. Tilden and teams, . .	$29 75	
Caleb Lincoln " . .	1 00	
H. A. Wheelwright " . .	2 50	
George M. Ennice, labor, . .	18 07	
Manuel E. Brazil, " . .	9 62	
George Antone, " . .	9 62	
John Feriera, " . .	11 45	
Manuel Silva, " . .	8 25	
George Ainslie, " . .	7 50	
Joseph Ennice, " . .	10 25	
Bela Stoddard, " . .	4 00	
George W. Cousens, " . .	87	
Manuel S. Leonard, labor and team, .	11 75	
Thomas Loney " .	7 00	
Gross & Nichols, rendrock, . .	1 33	
W. A. W. Tilden, repairing fence, .	3 50	
Luther J. Bates, care of lights, .	1 00	
Charles F. Bennett, use of saw, .	60	
Daniel W. Pratt, painting, . .	50	
Edward E. Tower, gravel, . .	37	
John C. Howe, curbstone, . .	15 00	
Est. of G. P. Pratt, gravel, . .	13 05	
		$166 98

On Margin and Border Streets.

Paid Amos E. Tilden and team, . .	$74 75	
Manuel S. Leonard " . .	16 62	
Joseph Jason " . .	15 68	
Amount carried forward, ...	$107 05	

Amount brought forward, . . .	$107 05	
George M. Ennice, labor, . .	14 44	
Thomas Mulcahy, " . .	15 32	
John Feriera, " . .	5 25	
George W. Cousens, " . .	7 00	
Joseph Ennice, " . .	6 00	
Joseph S. Enos, " . .	6 12	
Joseph A. Silva, " . .	13 57	
Edward E. Ellms, team and gravel, .	22 75	
Edward E. Tower, gravel, . .	23 12	
W. A. W. Tilden, repairing fence, .	3 00	
		$223 62

On Highland Avenue.

Paid Amos E. Tilden and team, . .	$26 00	
George M. Ennice, labor, . .	6 13	
Thomas Mulcahy, " . .	10 50	
Joseph A. Silva, " . .	8 75	
Edward E. Ellms, gravel, . .	17 25	
Edward E. Tower, " . .	4 62	
Gross & Nichols, rendrock, . .	35	
		$73 60
Total amount expended, ...		$1,397 03

Amount expended by the Selectmen, on Ripley Road and Sohier Street:

Paid Thomas Bates and team, . .	$45 50	
John Bates " . .	42 00	
Thomas L. Bates " . .	55 00	
Joseph Jason, " . .	38 50	
George W. Mealy, " . .	45 00	
Thomas Loney " . .	28 00	
John Ney, labor, ...	21 00	
Thomas Mulcahy, labor, . . .	39 38	
Manuel Jason, " . . .	20 13	
Joseph E. Gracia, " . . .	21 00	
Frank Pearson, " . . .	18 82	
Amount carried forward, . . .	$374 33	

Amount brought forward, ...	$374 33	
James O'Brien, labor, . . .	21 00	
Joseph Frates, " . . .	15 75	
George W. Cousens, " . . .	15 75	
John L. Pratt, " . . .	51 25	
John E. Salvedor, " . . .	30 62	
Joshua W. Davis, " . . .	7 50	
Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber, . .	70 47	
T. H. Barrett, smithing, . . .	1 15	
E. E. Tower, gravel, . . .	73 48	
		$661 30

On Jerusalem Road.

Paid Charles Wilson, covering stone, .	$133 65	
C. F. B. Tilden, teaming, . .	17 87	
Manuel Leonard, " . .	27 13	
A. E. Tilden, " . .	20 13	
John Bates, " . .	27 13	
Thomas Mulcahy, labor, . . .	22 75	
James O'Brien, " . . .	9 63	
George W. Cousens, " . . .	13 57	
Patrick Cronican, " . . .	10 07	
John E. Salvedor, " . . .	13 57	
Patrick Downs, " . . .	13 00	
Manuel Silva, " . . .	7 00	
Thomas L. Bates, " . . .	7 33	
Warren Bates, " . . .	12 00	
C. F. Nichols, gravel, . . .	25 00	
Old Colony R. R., freight, . .	9 00	
		$368 83

OTHER EXPENDITURES ON HIGHWAYS.

Paid Thomas D. Blossom, stock and labor,	$1 25	
Samuel Bates, tools, . . .	2 91	
John N. Cook, labor, . . .	8 00	
Joseph Battles, " . . .	3 50	
Gross & Nichols, rendrock, . .	4 03	
Charles F. Tilden, smithing, . .	35 05	
William Minot, rent, . . .	10 00	
Amount carried forward, ...	$64 74	

Amount brought forward, . . .	$64 74	
Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber, pipe, etc.,	58 97	
J. Q. A. Lothrop, services, . .	25 00	
Philander Bates, " . .	58 00	
Caleb F. Nichols, " . .	55 00	
C. F. B. Tilden, horsehire, . .	11 00	
Isaac W. Beal, sidewalk, Hull street,	25 00	
		$297 71
Total amount of expenditure on highways, . .		$8,334 71

IMPROVING THE SQUARE AT COVE.

Paid Amos E. Tilden and team, . .	$62 87	
George M. Ennice, labor, . .	31 07	
Manuel Silva, " . .	27 12	
John Fereira, " . .	13 25	
Manuel E. Brazil, " . .	2 17	
Manuel Silva, 2d, " . .	2 17	
Peter Brennock, " . .	4 50	
M. B. Stetson, labor and seed, . .	2 39	
John C. Howe, covering stone, . .	8 00	
Edward E. Tower, stone, . .	13 00	
		$166 54

On Strait's Pond.

Paid Moses Lincoln, land damage, . .	$220 00	
Nutter, Barnes & Co., iron work on gate, ...	4 25	
Charles F. Tilden, iron work on gate,	4 39	
Henry Brennock, " " and carpentering, ...	17 19	
Frank M. Nichols, iron work, . .	4 75	
Alfred Beal, care of gate, . .	62 50	
C. F. B. Tilden, horsehire, . .	7 00	
A. E. Tilden, " . .	7 00	
George M. Ennice, clearing pond, .	7 00	
John Fereira, " .	5 25	
Thomas Mulcahy, " .	1 75	
Daniel N. Tower, surveying, . .	3 50	
Amount carried forward, ...	$344 58	

Amount broaght forward,	$344 58	
J. Q. A. Lothrop, services,	10 00	
Philander Bates, "	4 50	
Caleb F. Nichols, "	7 50	
Hyde, Dickinson & Howe, Beal case, 1886,	350 00	
Hyde, Dickinson & Howe, Moses Lincoln, 1887,	35 00	
Hyde, Dickinson & Howe, copies of plan and recording deed,	5 85	
		$757 43

Removing Snow from Streets and Sidewalks.

Paid Levi L. Worrick and others,	$40 00	
C. F. B. Tilden "	71 00	
Amos E. Tilden "	25 25	
William O. Souther "	32 00	
Alden Beal "	14 50	
Samuel E. Pratt "	38 00	
Charles F. Tilden, snow-plows,	40 00	
		$260 75

Amount Paid on account of the Hall Estate.

Paid Amos A. Lawrence,	$1,314 75	
Manuel S. Leonard and team,	7 00	
A. E. Tilden "	7 00	
Thomas Bates "	7 00	
Thomas Mulcahy, labor,	14 00	
Patrick Cronican, "	8 75	
George W. Cousens, "	3 50	
John E. Salvedor, "	3 50	
A. A. Lawrence, fencing,	57 72	
E. E. Tower, gravel,	6 60	
John C. Howe, covering stone,	3 00	
Amount drawn from Treasury,		$1,432 82
Amount due Cohasset Savings Bank, mortgage,	$2,000 00	
" drawn from Treasury,	1,432 82	
		$3,432 82
Received from Joseph Osgood, house,		600 00
Total cost,		$2,832 82

Watering Streets.

Paid Charles S. Bates.	$500 00	
Alden Beal, ...	300 00	
Hingham Water Company, . .	80 00	
Samuel Bates, repairs on pump, .	17 41	
William H. Beal. " . .	2 25	
		$899 66

Deficiency on Improvement of Town Hall in 1887.

Paid Samuel Bates, plumbing, etc.. . .	$116 25	
F. E. Stewart, settees, . . .	57 60	
Henry Mott, labor, . . .	48 20	
W. A. W. Tilden, " . . .	1,440 13	
Thomas Mulcahy, " . . .	8 75	
John Mulcahy, " . . .	5 25	
Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber, etc., .	115 91	
D. W. Pratt, painting, . . .	113 08	
Jordan, Marsh & Co., curtain, . .	28 00	
Churchill, Morey & Co., chandeliers,	120 16	
John B. Souther, furniture, . .	31 00	
Goodnow & Wightman, sundries, .	8 33	
Geo. F. McLaughlin & Co., wire rope,	7 29	
A. Carlton & Co., mirror, . .	3 00	
W. A. Warren, sundries, . . .	3 00	
		$2,105 95

Town Hall.

Paid Samuel Bates, plumbing, . . .	$37 87	
J. Q. A. Lothrop, insurance, . .	101 25	
Charles F. Tilden, ventilator, . .	15 00	
Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber, . .	4 03	
Daniel B. Lincoln, glazing, . .	1 00	
D. W. Pratt, " . .	50	
Lincoln Bros., coal and wood, . .	23 22	
		$182 87

State and Military Aid.

Paid Hannah F. Arnold,	$48 00	
George Arnold,	72 00	
Julia F. Henry,	48 00	
Catharine Manuel,	20 00	
Asahel F. Nott,	36 00	
Warren Newcomb,	45 00	
Ann M. Ripley,	48 00	
J. Foster Doane,	192 00	
Alfred Haskell,	96 00	
William F. Harris,	96 00	
Daniel B. Lincoln,	120 00	
Stephen P. Lincoln,	40 00	
Joseph Munnies,	144 00	
Isaac Phinney,	108 00	
James Rooney,	54 00	
Isaac H. Tower,	72 00	
George T. Morey,	24 00	
Leander W. Groce,	12 00	
		$1,275 00
Amount reimbursed by the State,		814 00
		$461 00

Abatements.

Abated from tax of 1887,	$2 00	
" " 1888,	23 50	
		$25 50

School Appropriation.

Paid Caleb Lothrop, Treasurer, deficit for 1887,	$1,130 75	
" "	8,800 00	
		$9,930 75

Printing.

Paid Bates & Sanborn, Reports,	$156 25	
" " notices,	69 25	
Cohasset Cottager, " 1887,	35 00	
Cotton & Gould, tax bills,	11 00	
		$271 50

State and County Tax.

Paid State Tax,	$4,185 00	
County Tax,	2,145 55	
		$6,330 55

Hose House.

Paid Herbert O. Beal, contract, ... $710 00

Henry Bryant Post G. A. R.

Paid William F. Thayer, Quartermaster, . . . $100 00

Public Library.

Paid A. H. Tower, Treasurer, ... $650 00

Cohasset Water Co.

Paid J. H. Bouvé, Treasurer,	$1,500 00	
Hyde, Dickinson & Howe, for 1886,	10 00	
		$1,510 00

Fire Department.

Fire Engine.

Paid William W. Studley, steward,	$15 00	
James Sweeney, "	15 00	
Thirty Firemen, poll taxes,	60 00	
W. L. Creed & Co., refreshments,	20 84	
Gross & Nichols, "	12 87	
Mealy & Co., "	95	
Gross & Nichols, paint, oil, etc.,	14 59	
W. A. W. Tilden, labor,	9 25	
Caleb Beal, "	4 50	
Emma Barnes, cleaning,	9 75	
William H. Beal, repairs,	6 50	
Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber,	1 95	
Ziba C. Small, painting,	26 00	
Samuel D. Tower, repairs,	1 00	
Samuel Bates, oil, etc.,	4 54	
Lincoln Bros., coal,	9 13	
Charles F. Tilden, repairs,	7 00	
C. F. B. Tilden, horses to fire,	2 00	
		$220 87

Hook and Ladder.

Paid George Jason, steward,	$20 00	
Eleven Firemen, poll taxes,	22 00	
W. L. Creed & Co., refreshments,	19 93	
Wallace Willcutt, "	11 96	
D. Sylvester, "	8 34	
Samuel Bates, sundries,	1 75	
A. E. Tilden, horses to fires,	9 50	
Siba C. Small, glass,	75	
		$94 23

Hose Company.

Paid John J. Ainslie, steward, 1887–88,	$50 00	
Twelve Hosemen, poll taxes,	24 00	
P. Derby & Co., settees,	16 10	
Amount carried forward,	$90 10	

Amount brought forward,	$90 10	
Beal's Express,	2 50	
Gross & Nichols, crockery, etc.,	34 21	
Samuel Bates, lamps, etc.,	40 09	
Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber, etc.,	37 93	
Samuel D. Tower, sign, etc.,	34 57	
Henry Brennock, labor,	9 00	
John W. Brennock, "	2 25	
W. L. Creed & Co., refreshments,	61 16	
Wallace Willcutt, "	30 59	
D. Sylvester, "	7 97	
Frances H. Nichols, dry goods,	2 95	
Charles F. Tilden, pole, etc.,	27 20	
William H. Beal, belts,	13 50	
A. E. Tilden, horses to fires,	5 75	
C. F. B. Tilden, " "	2 00	
C. F. Nichols, sundries,	1 44	
Philander Bates, stove and funnel,	10 00	
		$413 21

HOSE COMPANY, JERUSALEM ROAD.

Paid Hingham Water Co., water for hydrants,	$143 74	
Hingham Water Co., hydrants, Hull St., and Jerusalem Road,	82 83	
Chapman Valve Co., hydrants,	57 92	
Three Hosemen, poll taxes,	6 00	
James S. Beal, rent,	10 00	
		$300 49

FOREST FIRES.

Paid Thomas L. Bates and others, watching fires,	$12 00	
Daniel Donovan, watching fires,	3 00	
		$15 00

Total amount of expenditures of the Fire Department,	$1,043 80
Payment of Debt,	$2,000 00
Payment of Interest,	$884 06

Town Officers.

Paid J. Q. A. Lothrop, services and expenses as Selectman and Assessor,	$282 50	
Philander Bates, Selectman and Assessor,	200 00	
Caleb F. Nichols, Selectman and Assessor,	200 00	
A. H. Tower, Treasurer and Collector,	250 00	
Newcomb B. Tower, Town Clerk,	35 00	
Allen C. Bates, Sealer of weights and measures, for 1887 and 1888,	100 00	
Charles F. Tilden, Registrar of Voters,	11 60	
C. James Pratt, " "	11 60	
John M. Damon, " "	11 60	
Newcomb B. Tower, " "	11 60	
Edward E. Wentworth, Constable,	47 00	
" " at Town Hall,	96 50	
" " Board of Health,	4 00	
Henry Brennock, Constable,	35 00	
John Roche, Jr., "	41 50	
Charles E. Nott, "	30 00	
Charles L. Kettrell, "	30 00	
		$1,397 90

Incidental Expenses.

Paid Samuel Bates, oil, etc., street lamps, 1887,	$ 5 87	
Samuel Bates, oil, etc., street lamps, 1888,	3 41	
Gross & Nichols, oil, etc., street lamps,	5 55	
Fred L. Whittle, care of "	5 42	
Levi Tower, " "	14 58	
Luther J. Bates, " "	20 00	
" " " oil, etc.,	5 30	
H. L. Brown, repairs town pump,	2 55	
Joseph St. John, postage and stationery,	23 69	
C. F. B. Tilden, carriage hire to Taunton,	10 00	
Amount carried forward,	$96 37	

Amount brought forward, . . .	$96	37
E. L. Burdakin, copy of records, -	20	00
Grenville D. Braman, services Corp. tax, 1887, - - - - - -	100	00
Caleb Lothrop, Treas. Cemetery Ass.,	50	00
Thomas Loney, removing rubbish, -	5	00
Ann Thomas, cleaning offices, - .	4	00
Dr. O. H. Howe, vaccinating children,	20	00
" " insp. scarlet fever cases,	14	00
" " return of births, -	3	25
Dr. C. B. Bridgham, " -	4	75
E. Robinson, County Atlas, - -	15	00
Thomas L. Bates, mowing common, -	5	25
Newcomb B. Tower, " 1887–88,	15	00
" " use of typewriter and stationery, - - - -	15	00
Beal's Express, - - - -	4	35
Gross & Nichols, stationery, - -	6	89
W. A. W. Tilden, fence So. School,	8	50
Patrick Downs, " "	7	50
D. W. Pratt, " painting,	5	03
R. C. Davis, lodging for traveller, -	2	25
A. H. Tower, Trustee, ball ground, -	50	00
C. W. Sparrell, return of deaths, -	3	00
Zaccheus Rich, " " .	4	25
Newcomb B. Tower, recording births, marriages and deaths, - - -	33	60
Louis N. Lincoln, care of Town Hall,	15	00
" " " lockup, -	15	00
Newcomb Bates, " clock, -	30	00
C. B. F. Tilden, horsehire, Selectmen,	10	50
A. E. Tilden, " " and Assessors, - - - -	50	50
Samuel Bates, sundries, - - -	2	40
C. F. Nichols, " - - -	1	47
D. W. Pratt, painting fountain, -	1	75
Daniel N. Tower, surveying, - -	3	75
Ziba C. Small, repairs, Centre School,	1	50
" " lantern, - - -	1	25
P. Bates, distributing Reports, - -	6	00
		$632 11

Expenditures.

For Highways,	$8,334 71	
Square at Cove,	166 54	
Straits Pond,	757 43	
Removing Snow,	260 75	
Hall Estate,	1,432 82	
Watering Streets,	899 66	
Town Hall deficiency,	2,105 95	
Town Hall,	182 87	
State and Military Aid,	1,275 00	
Abatement of Taxes,	25 50	
School deficiency,	1,130 75	
School Appropriation,	8,800 00	
Printing,	271 50	
State and County Tax,	6,330 55	
Hose House,	710 00	
G. A. R. Post,	100 00	
Public Library,	650 00	
Cohasset Water Co.,	1,510 00	
Fire Department,	1,043 80	
Payment of Debt,	2,000 00	
Interest,	884 06	
Town Officers,	1,397 90	
Incidentals,	632 11	
Support and Relief of Poor,	9,327 61	
		$50,229 51

Appropriations and Income.

For Support of Schools,	$8,800 00
School deficiencies for 1887,	1,130 75
Support of Poor,	6,000 00
Repairs of Highways,	7,600 00
Removing Snow,	600 00
Watering Streets,	900 00
Cohasset Water Co.,	1,500 00
Town Officers,	1,200 00
Amount carried forward,	$27,730 75

Amount brought forward, . . .	$27,730 75	
Printing, - - - - - - -	200 00	
Fire Department, - - - -	400 00	
Public Library, - - - -	650 00	
G. A. R. Post, - - - - -	100 00	
Incidentals, - - - - -	600 00	
Town Hall deficiency for 1887, - -	1,799 72	
Hose House, - - - - -	710 00	
State and Military Aid, - - -	600 00	
Town Hall, - - - - -	300 00	
Abatement of Taxes, - - -	300 00	
Payment of Debt, - - - -	2,000 00	
" Interest, - - -	500 00	
State and County Tax, - - -	6,330 55	
Almshouse Credit, - - - -	245 51	
Outside Relief Credit, - - -	520 91	
Sale of Hall house, - - - -	600 00	
Ladies' Union Society, - - -	160 00	
State and Military Aid, - - -	826 00	
Interest received, - - - -	187 65	
Other sources received, - - -	145 12	
Uncollected taxes, previous to 1888,	1,002 06	
		$45,908 27
Exceeded Appropriations, - - - - -		4,321 24
		$50,229 51

Indebtedness of the Town.

JANUARY, 1889.

FUNDED DEBT. (Issue of May 1, 1876.)

Cohasset Savings Bank, 2 Notes due 1889, 1890, - - - - - - - - -	$2,000 00	
W. W. Clapp, 2 Notes due 1889, 1890, -	2,000 00	
		$4,000 00

DEMAND NOTES.

Martha T. Bates, - - - - -	$1,000 00	
A. H. Tower, Trustee for Lothrop heirs, -	3,700 00	
Cohasset Savings Bank, balances, - -	2,000 00	
		$6,700 00

NOTES GIVEN FOR "HALL" MORTGAGE.

Cohasset Savings Bank, due 1889, - -	$1,000 00	
" " " " 1890, - -	1,000 00	
		$2,000 00
Total interest bearing debt, - - -		$12,700 00

Assets of the Town, January, 1889.

Due from Commonwealth for Military aid,	$814 00	
" " " State paupers,	97 00	
" James Dady for wife, - -	351 58	
Due on Mendoca estate, - - - -	595 00	
Due from Mary J. Enos, mortgage, - -	350 00	
" Mary O'Brien, - - - -	200 00	
" City of Gloucester, - - -	37 00	
Balance in Treasury, - - - -	2,487 35	
Due from Commonwealth, Corp. Tax, -	14,863 33	
		$19,795 26
Liabilities, January, 1889, - - - - -		12,700 00
Surplus over liabilities, - - - - - -		$7,095 26

Respectfully submitted,

J. Q. A. LOTHROP,
PHILANDER BATES,
CALEB F. NICHOLS,
Selectmen of Cohasset.

REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

For the Year Ending December 31st, 1888.

Almshouse Account.

Amount paid for Provisions, Groceries, Grain, Clothing, Fuel, &c:

Paid W. V. Bogart,	$173 58
H. L. Brown,	174 92
E. E. Bates,	153 79
C. F. Nichols,	116 86
M. B. Stetson & Co.,	189 35
W. L. Creed & Co.,	338 68
Gross & Nichols,	195 19
W. Willcutt,	84 16
Cohasset Clothing Co.,	48 50
T. L. Bates, 1887,	17 50
T. Roche, 1886–87,	27 90
"	13 00
E. E. Wentworth,	74 10
L. W. Cook,	14 32
L. L. Worrick,	2 00
C. F. B. Tilden,	2 00
A. E. Tilden,	33 00
W. O. Souther,	10 58
Z. Rich,	23 00
Beal's Express,	7 00
T. J. & C. B. Cushing,	1 00
E. G. Stewart,	17 90
A. Haskell,	27 00
O. Mott,	35 30
S. Bates,	111 51
Seaverns & Spear,	33 91
F. Trommer,	97 50
C. M. Trommer,	168 75
D. B. Tower,	31 42
Amount carried forward,	$2,223 72

Amount brought forward, ...	$2,223 72	
Tower, Bro. & Co., - - - -	47 44	
Lincoln Bros., - - - - -	108 99	
A. J. Silva, - - - - -	21 55	
D. Sylvester, - - - - -	44 50	
A. J. Silva, 1887, - - - -	13 03	
Mealy & Co., - - - - -	78 95	
W. F. Thayer & Co., - - -	97 55	
Bourne & Nickerson, - - -	233 70	
C. F. Tilden, - - - - -	84 85	
Mass. Ploughman, 1887–88, - -	5 00	
J. B. Harvey, - - - - -	48 00	
O. H. Howe, - - - - -	13 00	
P. Bates, - - - - - -	26 87	
J. H. Spencer, - - - - -	7 00	
W. H. Beal, - - - - -	4 90	
D. Hudson, - - - - -	4 60	
E. L. James, - - - - -	14 53	
S. Nichols, - - - - -	4 85	
S. G. James, - - - - -	3 00	
F. W. Browne, - - - - -	19 60	
S. D. Tower, - - - - -	1 75	
J. Thomas, - - - - -	29 25	
Estate of B. Kent, - - - -	20 29	
F. H. Nichols, - - - - -	118 38	
I. H. Young, - - - - -	86 75	
M. Reed, - - - - - -	39 00	
C. M. Trommer, - - - -	57 96	
E. F. Souther, - - - - -	12 00	
Z. C. Small, - - - - -	19 00	
Overseers' Services, - - - -	90 00	
		$3,580 01

Amount Received from Sales and Income.

Rec'd W. W. Bates, produce, - - -	3 85
Levi L. Warrick, teaming, - -	9 00
Manuel Silva, 2nd., interest, - -	35 70
Edward E. Wentworth, lumber, etc.,	10 00
Amount carried forward, ...	$58 55

Amount carried forward, ...	$58 55	
E. G. Stewart, produce, - - -	6 96	
A. H. Tower, trustee, - - -	180 00	
		$245 51
Debit brought forward, - - - -	$3,580 01	
Credit " " - - - -	245 51	
Almshouse debtor to balance, - - - - -		$3,334 50

The following persons have been inmates of the Almshouse during the year 1888.

Elizabeth Hudson,	Jane B. Lambert,
Augusta Silva,	Jane C. White,
Antone George,	Frances George,
William C. Hayden,	David Vinal,
Robert Williams,	Joseph C. Pratt,
Benjamin Everett,	William Doane,

John J. Lothrop, boarder.

AMOUNT PAID FOR NEW BUILDINGS AND REPAIRS:

Paid Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber, - -	$467 44	
John Roche, Jr., labor, - - -	108 00	
Charles V. Barnes, " - - -	85 25	
W. F. Campbell, " - - -	60 75	
Willie F. Thayer, " - - -	41 25	
Charles F. Bennett, " - - -	9 62	
James W. Holland, " - - -	29 25	
Bela Stoddard, " - - -	23 00	
John E. Salvedor, " - - -	35 44	
Daniel W. Pratt, painting, - -	126 75	
Samuel Bates, tin roofing, etc., - -	121 14	
		$1,107 89

PARTIAL SUPPORT OF PERSONS OUTSIDE OF ALMSHOUSE,

For the Year ending December 31st, 1888.

Paid Westborough Insane Hospital, Julia Macomber, - - - -	$171 72	
Worcester Asylum, Elizabeth Dady,	169 92	
Amount carried forward, ...	$341 64	

Amount brought forward, ...	$341 64	
Taunton Lunatic Hospital, William Kilburn, - - - - - -	169 92	
Taunton Lunatic Hosptial, George B. Williams, - - - - - -	169 92	
Taunton Lunatic Hosp'l, Lot Willcutt,	169 92	
" " " Joanna Colbrith,	169 92	
" " " John F. Murphy,	38 86	
		$1,060 18

Assistance to Rita Frates.

Paid Lincoln Bros., coal and wood, - -	$17 75	
Dr. O. H. Howe, medical attendance,	54 00	
Orders on Treasurer, - - -	36 00	
		$107 75

Assistance to Mary F. Martin and child.

Paid Dr. J. B. Harvey, medical attendance,	22 00	
Dr. O. H. Howe, " "	11 00	
Dr. C. B. Bridgham, " "	3 00	
Orders on Treasurer, - - -	76 00	
		$112 00

Assistance to John Tyrer and wife.

Paid Gross & Nichols, supplies, - -	116 64	
Dr. J. B. Harvey, medical attendance,	18 00	
		$134 64

Assistance to Mrs. Henry Morris.

Paid H. L. Brown, supplies, - - -	$128 23	
Bourne & Nickerson, supplies, - -	29 75	
Tower, Bro. & Co., coal, - - -	31 70	
Dr. O. H. Howe, medical attendance,	10 00	
F. W. Browne, medicine, - - -	1 10	
Lot W. Bates, rent, - - - - -	23 33	
		$224 11

Assistance to Joseph E. Smith, wife and three children.

Paid Elmer E. Bates, supplies, - -	$163 13	
Dr. J. B. Harvey, medical attendance,	48 00	
Amount carried forward, ...	$211 13	

Amount brought forward, ...	$211 13	
Dr. O. H. Howe, " "	20 00	
Dr. C. B. Bridgham, " "	81 00	
F. W. Browne, medicine, - - -	14 20	
Lot W. Bates, rent, - - - -	25 00	
		$351 33

Assistance to Mrs. John Burbank and child.

Paid H. L. Brown, supplies, - - -	$105 00	
Samuel E. Pratt, milk, - - -	30 00	
Addie Morris, washing, - - -	9 00	
Dr. O. H. Howe, medical attendance,	85 00	
Frank W. Browne, medicine, - -	6 85	
Lot W. Bates, rent, - - - -	23 33	
		$259 18

Assistance to Frank Wheelwright.

Paid State of Massachusetts, - - -	7 29	
Lyman School, - - - -	13 00	
		$20 29

Assistance to Joseph M. Gracia, wife and two children.

Paid H. L. Brown, supplies, - . -	$15 00	
Dr. O. H. Howe, medical attendance,	16 00	
		$31 00

Assistance to Manuel Enos.

Paid Orders on Treasurer, - - -	$72 00	
Tower, Bro. & Co., coal, - - -	7 50	
Lincoln Bros., " - - -	4 50	
Dr. C. B. Bridgham, medical attend.,	10 00	
		$94 00

Assistance to Mary Martin.

Paid Orders on Treasurer, - - -	$72 00	
Dr. C. B. Bridgham, medical attend.,	5 00	
		$77 00

Assistance to Myra Gardner.

Paid Orders on Treasurer, - - -		$202 50

Assistance to Elizabeth Ainslie and three children.

Paid Orders on Treasurer, - - -	$72 00	
P. Bates, boots and shoes, - -	23 71	
Bourne & Nickerson, meats, - -	27 78	
Tower, Bro. & Co., coal, - - -	28 00	
Dr. C. B. Bridgham, medical attend.,	7 00	
		$158 49

Assistance to Mary O'Brien.

Paid Orders on Treasurer, - - -	$84 00	
Tower, Bro. & Co., coal, - - -	5 75	
Dr. C. B. Bridgham, medical attend.,	1 00	
		$90 75

Assistance to Susan Meeker.

Paid H. L. Brown, supplies, - - -	$54 50	
Tower, Bro. & Co., coal, - - -	8 50	
		$63 00

Assistance to George Powers.

Paid Town of Middleboro', - - - - -	$3 50

Assistance to Southward Pratt.

Paid B. S. Thompson, rent, - - - - -	$44 00

Assistance to William F. Harris, wife and five children.

Paid City of Lowell, supplies, - - -	$193 03	
Orders on Treasurer, - - -	40 00	
		$233 03

Assistance to Henry L. Bates, wife and four children.

Paid R. W. Killam, supplies, - - -	$102 80	
Town of Norwell, " - - -	18 00	
		$120 80

Assistance to Henry Litchfield.

Paid Order on Treasurer, - - -	$12 00	
Tower, Bro. & Co., coal, - - -	8 20	
W. L. Creed & Co., supplies, - -	94	
Amount carried forward, ...	$21 14	

Amount brought forward, . . .	$21 14	
Dr. O. H. Howe, medical attendance,	1 00	
Z. Rich, undertaker, - - - -	23 00	
A. B. Litchfield, grave, etc., - -	5 00	
		$50 14

Assistance to Joseph J. Silvia, 2nd., wife and two children.

Paid H. L. Brown, supplies, - - -	$49 07	
Elmer E. Bates, " - - -	57 50	
Dr. O. H. Howe, medical attendance,	7 00	
		$113 57

Assistance to Mary L. McGrath and child.

Paid Orders on Treasurer, - - -	$88 00	
P. Bates, boots, - - - -	9 60	
		$97 60

Assistance to William Hayden and wife.

Paid C. F. Nichols, supplies, - - -	$10 50	
W. F. Thayer & Son, meat, - -	24 87	
Bourne & Nickerson, " - -	11 23	
Lincoln Bros., coal, - - - -	13 00	
Tower, Bro. & Co., coal, - - -	4 25	
Dr. J. B. Harvey, medical attendance,	16 00	
Dr. C. B. Bridgham, " "	39 00	
		$118 85

Assistance to William H. Litchfield, wife and four children.

Paid Seaverns & Spear, supplies, - -	$24 00	
Tower, Bro. & Co., coal and wood, -	16 10	
Lincoln Bros., " -	13 50	
Dr. O. H. Howe, medical attendance,	7 00	
		$60 60

Assistance to Isaac H. Tower, wife and five children.

Paid P. Bates, boots, shoes and repairs, - - -	$44 46

Assistance to Lois A. Ney and two children.

Paid Levi L. Nichols, rent,	$18 00	
Lincoln Bros., coal,	13 00	
Tower, Bro. & Co., coal,	8 50	
Cohasset Clothing Co.,	9 00	
P. Bates, boots,	3 65	
C. E. Macpherson, watching Ney,	2 00	
Daniel Sullivan, " "	2 00	
Gross & Nichols, supplies,	6 68	
		$62 83

Assistance to Annie S. Ruby and two children.

Paid Town of Brimfield, supplies,	$86 50	
C. S. Dodge, Attorney,	8 00	
		$94 50

Assistance to Delia Rooney and five children.

Paid B. S. Thompson, rent,	$58 50	
Dr. C. B. Bridgham, medical attend.,	36 75	
Dr. O. H. Howe, " "	4 00	
		$99 25

Assistance to Mrs. Oliver Henderson and four children.

Paid City of Newburyport, supplies,	$162 13

Assistance to Mary S. Kent and two children.

Paid City of Boston, supplies,	$67 92

Assistance to Eunice Sterling.

Paid City of Boston,		$60 00
Paid City of Boston for Annie Frates,	$5 15	
" " Fred C. Pratt,	16 00	
Dr. O. H. Howe, John R. Colbirth,	3 00	
" Mrs. C. H. Litchfield,	17 00	
Hyde, Dickinson & Howe, Attorney's fees in pauper cases, from 1882 to date,	50 00	
J. Q. A. Lothrop, services and expenses,	69 16	
Philander Bates, "	30 00	
Caleb F. Nichols, "	30 00	
		$220 31

Number of Persons assisted outside of Almshouse during the year, 96.

AMOUNT TO BE REIMBURSED TO THE TOWN.

James Dady for wife, - - - -	$169 92	
Town of Hingham, Mrs. Gardner, - -	202 50	
City of Gloucester, Mrs. Martin, - -	132 00	
State of Massachusetts, (estimated,) -	97 00	
M. J. Enos, interest, - - - - -	9 00	
W. F. Thayer & Son, H. Litchfield, -	8 40	
Estate of Sally B. Kilburn, deposit, -	145 33	
		$764 15
Amount paid Almshouse account, - -	$3,580 01	
" Buildings and Repairs, -	1,107 89	
" Outside relief, - - -	4,639 71	
		$9,327 61
Amount of Credit, Almshouse, - -	$245 51	
" Outside, - - -	764 15	
		$1,009 66
Amount of expense of Almshouse, Repairs and Outside Relief, - - - - -		$8,317 95

Respectfully submitted,

J. Q. A. LOTHROP,
PHILANDER BATES,
CALEB F. NICHOLS,
Overseers of the Poor of Cohasset.

Amounts estimated by the Selectmen as required to meet the expenses of the Town for the ensuing year:

For Support of Schools, and incidental expenses, as per request of School Committee,	$9,700 00
Payment of Debt,	5,000 00
Support of Poor,	7,000 00
Highways, expended by Surveyors,	2,500 00
Highways, special, expended by Selectmen,	5,000 00
Cohasset Water Co.,	1,500 00
Town Officers,	1,300 00
Removing Snow,	300 00
Watering Streets,	900 00
Printing,	300 00
Fire Department,	600 00
Public Library,	400 00
G. A. R. Post,	100 00
Incidentals,	600 00
State Aid,	500 00
Town Hall,	200 00
Hingham Water Co.,	200 00
Payment of Interest,	700 00
	$36,800 00

The amount to be raised by taxation, will be reported by the Selectmen at the Annual Meeting.

Table of Aggregates.

Valuation of Real Estate, 1887,	$2,025,356
Valuation of Personal Estate, 1887,	1,360,190
	$3,385,547
Valuation of Real Estate, 1888,	$2,056,613
Valuation of Personal Estate,	1,388,262
	$3,444,875

Increase of Real Estate, 1888,	$31,799
Increase of Personal Estate,	27,530
Total increase,	$59,329
Number of Polls, 1888,	606
State Tax, 1888,	$4,185 00
County Tax, 1888,	2,145 55
Town Grant, 1888,	8,000 00
Overlayings, 1888,	317 41
Total Tax, 1888,	$14,647 96
Rate per cent. on $1,000 00,	$3 90
Number of Dwellings, 1888,	582
" Horses, "	280
" Cows, "	322
" Sheep, "	14
" Neat Cattle, "	72
" Swine, "	49
" Persons taxed on property,	686
" Persons paying poll tax only,	270
" Tax payers,	956
" Acres taxed,	5,970¼

List of Jurymen

DRAWN DURING THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31ST, 1888.

February,	C. James Pratt,	Supreme J. Court.
March 17,	Zacheus L. Beal,	Grand Juror.
March 24,	John M. Damon,	Superior Court.
April 14,	A. Bradford Litchfield,	" "
August 29,	Loring Bates,	" "
September 14,	Ziba C. Small,	" "
November 30,	William W. Apts,	" "
December 13,	Abraham H. Tower,	" "

List of Jurors

To be received and accepted by the Town, at the Annual Meeting, to be held March 4, 1889.

Frank P. Appleton,
Abraham J. Antone,
Philander Bates,
Oliver H. Bates,
Elmer E. Bates,
Isaac W. Beal,
Alden Beal,
Herbert O. Beale,
John Bryant,
George W. Cousens,
Charles F. Bennett,
Edward E. Ellms,
Stephen D. Farrar,
George O. Higgins,
Warren S. Gammons,
Charles Harris,
Samuel G. James,
Winthrop Knight,
George W. Kimball,
Elisha Lincoln,
Waldo C. Locke,
J. Q. A. Lothrop,
Louis N. Lincoln,
Caleb F. Nichols,
Levi L. Nichols,
John T. Otis,
James Pettee,
Aaron Pratt,
John L. Pratt,
Robert B. Pratt,
Alson S. Richardson,
Andrew J. Souther,
Morgan B. Stetson,
Charles H. Willard,
Levi L. Worrick,
Wallace Willcutt,

Dr. Town of Cohasset in Account with

1888-1889.

To paid	Selectmen's Orders drawn to date,	$29,029 15
	State and Military Aid to indigent Soldiers and Sailors,	1,275 00
	Town Aid to Poor,	754 50
	Appropriation for School Teaching, Fuel, and repairs of School-houses,	8,800 00
	Income of Mass. School Fund, Ripley Fund, and Dog Licenses, on School account,	350 89
	School deficiency in 1888,	1,130 75
	Abatement of Taxes, per Assessors' Orders,	25 50
	State of Massachusetts Tax, 1888,	4,185 00
	County of Norfolk Tax. 1888,	2,145 55
	Cohasset Savings Bank, Funded Note, 1888,	1,000 00
	W. W. Clapp, " "	1,000 00
	John L. Hall's Mortgage Notes,	2,000 00
	Money hired in anticipation of Taxes,	5,500 00
	Interest on Town's Notes,	884 06
		$58,080 40
	Balance in Treasury,	2,487 35
		$60,567 75

COHASSET, January 24, 1889.

COHASSET, January 25, 1889.

We have examined the foregoing account of the Treasurer, and find it correctly cast and properly vouched.

J. Q. A. LOTHROP,
PHILANDER BATES,
CALEB F. NICHOLS,
} *Selectmen of Cohasset.*

Abraham H. Tower, Treasurer. Cr.

1888–1889.

By balance in Treasury, from former account,	$2,131 29
Received of Commonwealth of Massachusetts the following six items, viz.:	
Corporation Tax for 1887, additional,	18,750 08
Corporation Tax for 1888,	7,185 99
National Bank Tax for 1888,	5,308 35
State Aid for 1888,	826 00
State Pauper support,	35 60
Income Mass. School Fund, 1887,	24 31
County of Norfolk, Dog Licenses, 1887,	281 08
City of Gloucester, support of Mrs. Martin,	95 00
Town of Hingham, support of Myra Gardner,	202 50
Rev. Joseph Osgood, Hall house sale,	600 00
Town Hall improvement (additional subscription),	160 00
Cohasset Savings Bank, Kilburn deposit,	145 33
Cohasset Mut. Fire Ins. Co., office rent, 1888,	60 00
Louis N. Lincoln, income Town Hall,	59 00
Hingham Water Co., for work at Hull St.,	20 12
Lothrop, Lincoln and Pratt, Auctioneer licenses,	6 00
M. & M. J. Enos, interest on mortgage note,	4 50
Manuel Silvia, 2d, " "	35 70
Interest on Bank Deposits,	139 02
Interest and Fees on delinquent Taxes,	48 13
Interest on Ripley Fund, 1888,	45 50
A. H. Tower, Trustee, for support of John J. Lothrop at Almshouse, 1888,	180 00
Sales from Almshouse and other sources,	67 79
Cohasset Savings Bank, Hall Est. Notes,	2,000 00
" " " hired money, etc.,	7,500 00
Amount of Tax List for 1888,	14,655 96
	$60,567 75

ABRAHAM H. TOWER, *Treasurer.*

ARTICLES TO BE IN TOWN WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING,

MARCH 4, 1889.

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To act upon the Reports of the Librarian and Treasurer of the Public Library, Selectmen, Overseers of Poor, Treasurer, Treasurer of School Committee, and School Committee.

ART. 3. To choose all Town Officers required by law and Town By-Laws.

ART. 4. What sums of money will the town raise and appropriate for the Payment of Debt, Repairs of Highways, Relief of Poor, Support of Schools, Public Library, Watering Streets, Decorating Soldiers' and Sailors' Graves, and all other necessary charges and expenses for the current year.

ART. 5. In what manner will the Town collect the Taxes the current year, and at what time shall they be paid into the Treasury.

ART. 6. To hear the Report of the Selectmen on Guideboards and act thereon.

ART. 7. Will the Town accept the list of Jurors as prepared and posted by the Selectmen.

ART. 8. Will the Town cause the Financial Report to be printed and distributed in the month of February, 1890.

ART. 9. To hear and act upon the Report of any Committee.

ART. 10. What compensation will the Town allow the Collector of Taxes, for the current year.

ART. 11. Shall Licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors, be granted in the Town the current year, in accordance with Chap. 100, Sec. 5, of Public Statutes.

ART. 12. Will the Town direct the Trustees of Public Library to elect a Treasurer.

ART. 13. Will the Town authorize the Selectmen to sell and convey any portion of Straits Pond Flats, and authorize some one to give a deed.

ART. 14. Will the Town authorize the Selectmen to widen the culvert at Cove Bridge, or act thereon.

ART. 15. Will the Town authorize the School Committee to employ a Superintedent of Schools for the year.

ART. 16. What action will the Town take in regard to a Central School building.

ART. 17. What action will the Town take in regard to the transportation of children from King Street to the High School.

ART. 18. Will the Town raise and appropriate a sum of money to build a sidewalk on North Main Street from the residence of Thomas Bates to King Street, or act thereon.

ART. 19. Will the Town direct the Selectmen to employ a Constable to attend, at the expense of the Town, at all entertainments held at the Town Hall, or act thereon.

ART. 20. Will the Town direct the Selectmen to charge for the Town Hall whenever used, or act thereon.

LIST OF

MARRIAGES, BIRTHS AND DEATHS,

Registered in Cohasset, during the Year 1888.

PREPARED BY THE TOWN CLERK.

MARRIAGES.

Date.	NAMES.	Residence.	Where and by whom Married.
1888.			
April 5	James C. Doherty Joanna M. Roche	Boston Cohasset	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Ignatius P. Egan.
" 5	Cyrus Litchfield Mabel A. Hayden	Cohasset "	Married in Boston by Rev. R. B. Moody.
" 12	William H. Rockwood Sarah K. Hudson	Weymouth No. Scituate	Married in Scituate by Rev. John W. Savage.
May 23	J. Arthur Anderson Euphemia J. McNeil	Hull "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. John W. Savage.
July 18	William O. Clapp, Jr. Sarah L. Pratt	Scituate Cohasset	Married in Cohasset by Rev. John W. Savage.
" 24	Arthur R. Keene Adelaide A. Studley	Cohasset "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. John W. Savage.
" 25	Frank L. Frates Hattie Freise	Cohasset Boston	Married in Cohasset by Rev. George O. Jenness.
" 28	Edward A. Jacobs Amy L. Bates	Norwell Cohasset	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.
Aug. 27	Joaquin J. Souther Gertrude M. Bouvé	Boston Cohasset	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Caleb D. Bradlee.
Sept. 12	John S. Hyde Rachel E. Holmes	Bath, Me. Boston	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.
Oct. 13	George W. Pratt Annie E. Welch	Cohasset "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.
" 17	Edward Nichols Ella G. Tower	Cohasset "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.
" 31	Elmer F. Olmsted Julia M. Furber	Cohasset Boston	Married in Boston by Rev. M. J. Savage.
Nov. 22	George E. Studley Lizzie V. Hilton	Cohasset Weymouth	Married in Weymouth by Rev. Joseph Osgood.
" 29	Fred G. James Elizabeth R. McCormick	Cohasset "	Married in No. Cohasset by Rev. D. L. Brown.
Dec. 3	Charles S. Stoddard Charlotte B. Carter	Scituate "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.
" 4	Herbert L. Whitcomb Helen A. Studley	Cohasset "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.
" 20	Henry Collier, Jr. Josie Vinal	Cohasset Scituate	Married in Scituate by Rev. H. A. Whitman.
" 28	John Ruddiman Mary Jason	Scituate "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.

Nineteen Marriages were recorded in Cohasset in 1888, as per list above.

BIRTHS.—1888.

Date.	NAME OF CHILD.	Parents' Names.	Mother's M. N.	Place of Birth
Jan. 1	Joel Harold Atwood	Arthur D. and Ina M.	Leighton	Hull St.
Feb. 5	Norman Howland Tilden Studley	Andrew J. and Helen M.	Edwards	Margin St.
" 27	Barker	W. Eustis and Sarah B.	Barnard	So. Main St.
Mar. 5	Walter Cutler Gardner	Guy H. and Cora	Cutler	Summer St.
" 7	Walter Leroy Enos	Joseph S. and Eliza	Antoine	Elm St.
" 19	Elizabeth Osgood Collier. } Twins. Julia Bryant Collier. }	George W. and Frances P.	Osgood	No. Main St.
" 25	Marion Theresa Wholley	Thomas and Catharine	Coughlin	So. Main St.
" 27	Aaron Pratt	Horatio G. and Elizabeth A	Parks	Beechwood St.
Apr. 3	Jane Mannix	Michael and Deborah	Moriaty	Border St.
" 22	Isabel Fereira	John J. and Mary	Joseph	Margin St.
May 5	Josiah Wheelwright	Charles C. and Laura S.	Tower	No. Main St.
" 16	Bertha May Wilson	Joseph H. and Julia C. M.	Henry	Smith Place.
" 16	Alfred Menis Antoine	Joseph A. and Ellen E.	Flemming	Stockbridge S
" 16	John Dennis Golden	Daniel and Mary C	Flynn	Margin St.
June 5	Arthur Burgess Stanley	Arthur and Harriet D.	Burgess	No. Main St.
" 7	Charles Chester Wood	Charles B. and Clara E.	Higgins	Beechwood St.
" 8	John Victor Alden	Adelbert H. and Mabel	Thayer	Jerusalem Rd.
" 14	Gertrude Eugene Nott	Charles E. and Clara M.	Small	Pleasant St.
" 26	Edith Milfred Tibbetts	Charles M. and Maud W.	Beal	Hull St.
" 27	Genevieve McMahon	Henry L. and Jane E.	Rafferty	So. Main St.
" 30	Sargent	George F. and Sarah M.	Bates	Beechwood St.
July 14	Leonora Frances Arnold	Daniel P. and Mary A.	Vargus	Church St.
" 24	Minot Andrew Browne	Frank W. and Sarah W.	Garey	Elm St.
Aug. 2	Chester Mealy	Peter H. and Mary J	Winny	Beechwood St.
" 14	John Bates	John and Minnie E.	Thayer	No. Main St.
" 18	Alice Gertrude Bates	John W., 2d and Mary J.	Litchfield	Beechwood St.
" 26	Robert Ainslie	John J. and Mary	McCarty	Border St.
" 29	Mildred Ardele Thayer	WillieF. and GeorgiannaW	Gardner	No. Main St.
" 29	Edward Thomas Mulcahy	Thomas F. and Mary	Green	Smith Place.
Sept. 14	Bessie Emma Wheelwright	Frank W. and Lillian M.	Stoddard	Beechwood St.
" 23	Charles Bridgham Worrick	Levi L. and Alice A.	Tower	King St.
Oct. 7	Mary Winnifred Donovan	John and Mary J.	Queeny	So. Main St.
" 10	Eva May Wood	Osborn and Addie P.	Peakes	Beechwood St.
" 19	Abraham Soito Enos	Manuel S. and Alice	Antoine	Elm St.
" 19	Mary Frances Palmer	Plummer F. and Mary S.	Sheehan	Pond St.
" 25	Stella Lenora Antoine	Abraham J. and Elizabeth	Queeny	Beechwood St.
Nov. 15	John Silvia Salvador	Antoine E. and Amelia J.	Galvin	Stockbridge St
" 16	Veda May Davis	George E. and Addie M.	Bero	Hull St.
Dec. 7	Louis Brennan Mulvey	William and Maggie L.	Devine	Spring St.
" 16	Elsie Caroline Morris	James H. and Annie M.	Frates	Beechwood St.

There were born in Cohasset, during the year 1888, forty-one children, (twenty-one males and twenty females,) as per list above, with parentage as follows:

American Father and American Mother,	-	26
American Father and Foreign Mother,	-	6
Foreign Father and American Mother,	-	5
Foreign Father and Foreign Mother,	-	4

DEATHS. — 1888.

Date.		NAMES.	Age. Y.	M.	D.	Cause of Death.	Place of Death.
Jan.	10	[1]Catherine (Daley) Gardner	51	3	..	Phthisis	Elm St.
"	13	[1]Anthony Clarke	2	5	1	Tub. Meningitis	Jerusalem R'd.
"	19	Rosilla (Lane) Barker.	61	3	..	Cancer	Elm St.
"	26	Caroline Phinney	81	6	23	Old Age	Cedar St.
"	29	[10]James H. Bliss	53	4	..	Consumption	Pleasant St.
Feb.	2	[2]Hannah (Stetson) Howard	69	9	..	Sarcoma	Summer St.
"	11	[1]Anastasia (Walch) Brennock	61	10	..	Cancer	Border St.
"	12	[2]John Howard	75	6	.	Pneumonia	Summer St.
March	3	Lot Bates	86	1	..	Old Age	Beechwood St.
"	12	William Doane	72	..	5		King St.
"	15	[3]John Leo Jason	..	3	17	Convulsions	So. Main St.
April	8	Aaron Pratt, 2d	..	..	14	Collapse of Lungs	Beechwood St.
"	10	Henry Litchfield	75	9	..	Pneumonia	Atlantic Ave.
"	24	Harold P. Bates	..	..	..	Stillborn	King St.
June	5	[4]Theodore E. Barker	10	6	14	Croup and Diphtheria	So. Main St.
"	17	Jane (Souther) Litchfield	87	9	21	Old Age	No. Main St.
"	18	[1]James H. Rooney	41	4	..	Phthisis	Elm St.
July	5	Gertrude E. Nott	..	..	21	Convulsions	Pleasant St.
"	7	[1]Anthony L. McMahon.	2	3	17	Paralysis	So. Main St.
"	15	Mary E. (Murphy) Pratt	58	..	19	Septic Embolism.	Snow Place.
"	26	[5]Michael R. Gately	41	..	..	Cerebral Hem'rge	Jerusalem R'd
Aug.	28	Samuel Bates	80	6	14	Paralysis	So. Main St.
"	30	Marion F. Smith.	1	..	10	Meningitis	Beechwood St.
Sept.	9	[6]Zebiah (Wheelwright) Morris	90	3	11	Gastro-Enteritis	Beechwood St.
"	10	Anna (Pratt) Stoddard	91	9	27	Pneumonia	Margin St.
"	23	[1]Gustavus P. Roche	..	9	7	Acute Meningitis	No. Main St.
"	25	[1]Alfred P. Lincoln	3	4	..	Heart Failure	Hull St.
"	25	Charles W. Dyer	18	5	..	Typhoid Fever	Beechwood St.
"	27	Mary (Hall) Nichols	88	8	16	Old Age	No. Main St.
Oct.	11	[7]Betsey (Kent) Kent	86	10	11	Old Age	Summer St.
"	14	Mary Bates	81	1	..	Paralysis	Beechwood St.
"	20	Warren Bates	78	..	..	Old Age	Beechwood St.
"	25	[1]Cornelius Lincoln	20	7	..	Diphtheria	Hull St.
"	27	Ruth K. (Braddish) Veale	93	7	17	Old Age	So. Main St.
Nov.	10	Elizabeth (Tower) Souther	85	1	..	Old Age	Highland Ave.
"	11	[7]Relief (Field) Whicher.	90	7	22	Old Age	No. Main St.
"	24	[1]William O'Keefe	55	..	..	Continued Fever.	No. Main St.
"	24	[8]—— Harvey	..	..	..	Stillborn	So. Main St.
Dec.	7	[9]George Sachs.	57	..	..	Ureamia	Beechwood St.
"	27	Elsie C. Morris.	.	..	11	Dysentery	Beechwood St.

1. Buried at Hingham. 2. Buried at Pembroke.
3. " " Scituate. 4. " " Newton.
5. " " Boston. 6. " " Norwell.
7. " " Quincy. 8. " " Raynham.
9. " " Dedham. 10. " " Waltham.

There were forty deaths in Cohasset during the year 1888, as per list above, twenty-two males and eighteen females. It may be noticed that there were eleven deaths under five years of age, none between the ages of 5 and 10 years, two between 10 and 20, one between 20 and 30, none between 30 and 40, two between 40 and 50, five between 50 and 60, three between 60 and 70, four

between 70 and 80, eight between 80 and 90, and four of persons over 90 years of age. The average age being 48 years, 10 months and 15 days.

The following is a list of persons who have died in other places whose bodies have been brought to this town for interment.

DEATHS. — 1888.

Date.	NAMES.	Age.			Cause of Death.	Place of Death.
		Y.	M.	D.		
February 1	May L. Wright.....	8	0	16	Acute Tuberculosis	Brookline.
" 6	Imogene G. Barker....	15	9	0	Pistol wound.....	Brookline.
March 12	James E. Pratt	49	0	0	General Paralysis..	Worcester.
" 27	George A. Lawrence...	53	7	17	Bright's Disease...	Cambridge.
May 6	James J. Tower.....	55	11	19	Acute Pyæmia.....	West Newton
" 20	Peter L. Willcutt.....	64	4	3	Heart Disease.....	Boston.
June 9	Catherine Manuel	56	0	0	Pul. Consumption..	Hingham.
Sept'm'r 17	Daniel Hudson.....	88	7	17	.....	Scituate.
October 27	James H. Bouvé.....	59	0	18	Chronic Nephrites.	Boston.
Novemb'r 8	—— Cousens.....	0	0	0	Stillborn.....	Boston.
" 14	J. Edwin Butler	41	4	4	Disease of Brain...	Boston.

N. B. TOWER, *Town Clerk.*

Town of Cohasset in Account with the School Committee.

1888. *Dr.*

TEACHING.

High School,	Arthur Stanley,	$1,260 00	
	Miss D. S. Lothrop,	480 00	
	" Annie N. Keene,	120 00	
North School,	" Martha P. Bates,	367 00	
	" Minnie N. Fox,	97 50	
	" Susie L. Stoddard,	243 00	
Centre School,	" Annie A. Souther,	367 00	
	" Sarah E. Fox,	340 50	
South School,	" Josie L. Vinal.	215 00	
	" R. B. Sampson,	152 00	
	" Myra L. Beal,	340 50	
Beechwood Sch'l,	L. Webster Bates,	450 00	
	Miss Georgiana Bates,	196 50	
	" Lizzie J. Packard,	144 00	
Elm Street Sch'l,	" Lizzie C. Bates,	367 00	
Harbor School,	" P. L. Collier,	340 50	
Jerusalem Sch'l,	" Annie Fox,	367 00	
King Street Sch'l,	" R. B. Sampson,	189 50	
	" Nina E. Higgins,	25 50	
	" Mary L. Corey,	152 00	
			$6,214 50

JANITORS.

High School,	Herbert P. Brown,	$50 00	
North School,	Levi Tower, Sept. 1, '87, to Jan. 1, '89,	40 65	
Centre School,	Lawrence E. Willard,	6 50	
	S. J. Hayden,	15 40	
	John C. Francis,	3 50	
South School,	Luther J. Bates, Jan. 14, '88, to Jan. 1, '89,	24 40	
Beechwood Sch'l,	Caroline L. Morris,	6 50	
	Annie M. Morris,	7 70	
	A. Bradford Litchfield,	11 20	
Harbor School,	Wm. Hayden, Sept. 1, '87, to Jan. 1, '89,	17 95	
Jerusalem Sch'l,	Frank Lean,	15 60	
King Street Sch'l,	Herman S. James,	13 45	
			$212 85

FUEL.

High School,	Lincoln Bros.,	$67 25	
	Tower, Bro. & Co.,	44 93	
North School,	Lincoln Bros.,	46 82	
	Aaron Pratt, wood,	9 40	
Centre School,	Lincoln Bros.,	48 68	
	Aaron Pratt, wood,	9 90	
South School,	Lincoln Bros.,	74 09	
	Aaron Pratt, wood,	9 90	
	C. J. Nichols, wood,	6 50	
Beechwood Sch'l,	Aaron Pratt, wood,	67 50	
Harbor School,	Lincoln Bros.,	13 00	
	Tower, Bro. & Co.,	16 00	
	Aaron Pratt, wood,	4 40	
Jerusalem Sch'l,	Lincoln Bros.,	3 75	
King Street Sch'l,	"	14 00	
			$436 12

CLEANING.

High School,	E. E. Ellms, cellar,	$10 50	
	S. J. Hayden, vaults,	5 50	
	" rooms,	9 00	
North School,	Laura Studley, closet,	13	
	S. J. Hayden, rooms,	7 50	
Centre School,	" "	7 50	
South School,	" "	6 00	
Beechwood Sch'l,	A. B. Litchfield, rooms,	10 00	
Harbor School,	Mrs. Mary Thomas,	8 00	
Jerusalem Sch'l,	S. J. Hayden,	5 50	
King Street Sch'l,	Mrs. Sarah McCormick,	5 00	
	S. J. Hayden, vault,	2 50	
			$77 13

RENT.

Elm Street Sch'l,	Philander Bates,	$125 00

REPAIRS, ETC.

High School,	D. W. Pratt, painting,	$24 27	
	Bela Stoddard, mason,	2 75	
	Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber,	52	
	Samuel Bates, supplies,	6 95	
			$34 49

North School,	Samuel Bates, supplies, etc.,	12 54	
	H. O. Beale, carpentering, .	60	
	Thomas Willcutt, " .	5 00	
	John J. Lincoln, " .	1 50	
	Bela Stoddard, whitening, .	5 75	
	Thomas Bates, grading, .	2 00	
			$27 39
Centre School,	Samuel Bates, supplies, etc.,	11 81	
	H. O. Beale, carpentering, .	17 45	
	John J. Lincoln, " .	7 88	
	S. J. Hayden, labor on wood,	1 00	
	Charles Hopkins, chair, .	4 50	
	Tower, Bro. & Co., supplies,	19	
			$42 83
South School,	Samuel Bates, supplies, etc.,	7 80	
	John J. Lincoln, carpent'g,	17 50	
	Wm. O'Keefe, stone work,	1 75	
	Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber,	19 50	
	Lemuel Merrill, keys, .	1 00	
	Cushman Bros. & Co., curtains.	3 69	
	S. J. Hayden, labor on wood,	3 45	
			$54 69
Beechwood Sch'l,	Z. C. Small, painting, .	$10 50	
	John J. A. Pratt, carpent'g,	44 00	
	Samuel Bates, supplies, .	75	
	John J. Lincoln, carpent'g,	1 80	
	Mrs. C. H. Wood, use of well,	2 00	
	D. B. Francis, labor on chairs, etc., . . .	3 38	
	Tower, Bro. & Co., supplies.	22	
	Cushman Bros. & Co., curtains.	8 68	
	Nelson H. Brown, clock, .	5 50	
	J. W. Bates, 2d, work on vaults, ...	5 00	
			$81 83
Elm Street Sch'l,	S. J. Hayden, clean'g vault,	$2 50	
	Samuel Bates, supplies, .	85	
	John J. Lincoln, labor on desks, ...	1 25	
			$4 60

Harbor School,	Samuel Bates, supplies, etc.,	$11 46	
	Wm. Hayden, labor on wood,	1 75	
	John J. Lincoln, carpent'g,	2 00	
			$15 21

REPAIRS.

Jerusalem Sch'l,	C. Knapp, painting, . .	$4 00	
	Z. C. Small, painting, .	25 78	
	John J. Lincoln, carpent'g,	1 85	
	Samuel Bates, supplies, .	26	
			$31 89
King Street Sch'l,	Samuel Bates, supplies, .	$1 20	
	H. O. Beale, carpentering, .	13 78	
	Bela Stoddard, plaster'g, etc.,	4 50	
	John J. Lincoln, carpent'g,	1 85	
	Z. C. Small, painting, etc.,	2 25	
	H. S. James, setting glass,	25	
			$23 83
			$316 76

BOOKS AND STATIONERY.

Harper & Bros., ...	$80 64	
William Ware & Co., ...	17 87	
A. S. Barnes & Co., ...	81 67	
Clark & Maynard, ...	19 26	
Boston School Supply Co., ...	7 99	
F. M. Ambrose, ...	22 00	
Ginn & Co., ...	82 44	
Thompson, Brown & Co., ...	31 65	
Estes & Lauriat, ...	12 00	
DeWolfe, Fiske & Co., , ...	6 50	
E. O. Fiske & Co., ...	8 00	
The Prang Educational Co., . . .	25 52	
Henry S. Carey, ...	5 76	
Cowperthwait & Co., ...	3 50	
D. Appleton & Co., ...	6 13	
George S. Perry, stationery, . . .	140 83	
Holden Book Cover Co., stationery, . .	13 75	
Greenough, Hopkins & Cushing, stationery,	21 80	
Sundry bills for books and stationery, . .	50 12	
		$637 43

MISCELLANEOUS.

G. G. Allen, printing,	$3	30
A. T. Bliss & Co., printing,	44	75
Bates & Sanborn, "	5	00
Old Colony R. R., Nantasket scholars to High School,	51	90
A. E. Tilden, Beechwood scholars to High School,	235	00
C. F. B. Tilden, carriage hire,	47	64
Beal's Express,	14	35
A. H. Prouty, Truant Officer,	37	00
A. B. Litchfield, " "	3	00
Charles E. Nott, Act'g Truant Officer,	4	00
Edw. F. Ripley, services 1887, School Com.,	50	00
" " " " 1888, "	70	00
E. P. Collier. " 1887, "	50	00
" " " 1888, "	70	00
Rev. J. W. Savage, " 1887, "	25	00
" " " 1888, "	70	00
C. Lothrop, Treasurer to April 1, 1888,	15	00
E. F. Ripley " " Jan. 1, 1889,	35	00
E. P. Collier, Purchasing Agent,	50	00
" Secretary,	17	00
" taking School Census, 1888,	8	00
Dr. J. B. Harvey, " " " 1887,	8	00
Boston Bank Note & Litho'g Co., Diplomas, 1888–'89–'90,	42	00
Burdett Business College, engrossing diplomas,	6	25
The Papyrograph Co., Ink,	4	00
Miss Frank H. Nichols, ribbon for diplomas,	4	57
W. H. H. Hancock, repairing clocks,	5	25
W. W. Wade, tuning piano, 1887,	5	00
E. S. Ritchie & Son, chemicals and apparatus,	13	00
Pratt Bros., advertising,	2	75
A. E. Bradford, instructor in singing,	120	00
		$1116 76

RECAPITULATION.

Paid for Teaching, - - - - -	$6,214 50	
for Janitors, - - - - - -	212 85	
for Fuel, - - - - - - -	436 12	
for Cleaning rooms and vaults, -	77 13	
for Rent, - - - - - -	125 00	
for Repairs, - - - - - -	316 76	
for Books and Stationery, - -	637 43	
for Miscellaneous, - - - -	1,116 76	
Unexpended balance, Jan. 1, 1889, -	30 84	
		$9,167 39

CREDIT.

Error in charge, August 19, 1887, - -	$1 50	
Amount of School Appropriation, - -	8,800 00	
Received from State School Fund, 1887, -	24 31	
" " Dog Licenses, 1887, - -	281 08	
Interest Ripley Fund, 1887, - - -	45 50	
Stove sold E. P. Collier, - - - -	15 00	
		$9,167 39

EDWARD F. RIPLEY,
Treasurer School Committee.

Approved:

E. P. COLLIER,
JOHN W. SAVAGE, } *Auditing Committee.*

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

Town of Cohasset, for the Year 1888.

MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

1888.

JOSEPH S. BIGELOW,

GRENVILLE D. BRAMAN,

EDW. F. RIPLEY, *Chairman.*

REV. JOHN W. SAVAGE,

HERBERT O. BEALE,

E. P. COLLIER, *Secretary.*

REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF COHASSET,

FOR THE YEAR 1888.

TO THE CITIZENS OF COHASSET:

As required by law we submit to you this Report for 1888, and respectfully call your attention to the following subjects:

CONDITION OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

But a comparatively small outlay for repairs has attended our administration this year, owing to the heavy expenditures for that purpose in 1887. The interior of the Jerusalem School has been painted, new out-buildings constructed for the Beechwood School, and fences built and general repairs made at the South, King Street and Centre Schools. The High School has been newly grained and several new desks added, to accommodate the entering class last September.

In December the Committee voted to furnish the High School with a long table, sinks and apparatus to be used in connection with the study of Chemistry and Physics. These branches are a part of the course prescribed by the Public Statutes for High Schools, and as they must be taught, and as we have labored under great disadvantages for years for the want of suitable accommodations and apparatus to illustrate these studies properly, your Committee thought they were justified in expending one hundred dollars for a very crude laboratory in the assistant's room.

This much needed improvement, which was asked for by the Principal of that school, was made the last week in December, the expense of same to be met by this year's appropriation.

If nothing is done in regard to a Central Building this March, it would seem judicious to paint some of our school-houses this spring, to build new out-buildings for the Centre School, attend to the matter of an out-building for the Harbor School in place

of the defective water closets on the lower floor which have been condemned by the State Board of Education, notwithstanding our attempts last year to ventilate same by carrying conductors from the vault to the roof.

We have hesitated this year supplying the North School with water from the main pipe on North Main Street, hoping that water would be carried along the Jerusalem Road, and that an expense of one hundred dollars as now estimated might be reduced to at least one quarter of that amount.

We were informed last month that the Jerusalem School is without water, many old wells and springs in that neighborhood having been filled. The matter will call for quite an outlay this year if we should decide to carry the pipes of the Hingham Water Company to the building, which, like many of our school-houses, is built on a rocky ledge. Allow us to say at this time, that the foolish, dangerous custom of locating our school-buildings on these inaccessible ledges has cost this Town many hundreds of dollars for extra charges on every ton of coal and every cord of wood delivered the South, Centre and Jerusalem Schools, since the time they were built, to say nothing of the risk children have run attending such schools.

Sessions.

Since April last both a morning and an afternoon session have been held at the High School. Early in the Fall your Committee decided to shorten the daily sessions of the first and second grades of the Primary Schools. These grades are made up of little children from five to seven years old, and it was unanimously voted to order their dismissal at 11.30 and 3.30 daily, except Fridays, on which day the schools are visited by Mr. Bradford, the teacher of music.

Course of Study.

We have prepared this year a Course of Study for the eight grades of the Primary and Grammar Schools with Daily Programmes. Much work has devolved on Messrs. Ripley, Collier and Savage in preparing this Course which is published in book form together with the Rules and Regulations, and is in the hands of each teacher.

Examinations.

At the close of each term, written examinations are given the 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th grades in all the principal studies on the ground covered by each grade that term, and promotions from grade to grade and admission to the High School depend on the average per cent. which a scholar acquires in all the examinations for the year.

Last June the scholars, whose names are given below, passed the four examinations for the year obtaining an average of 70%, and were granted diplomas certifying that they had satisfactorily completed the course of studies laid out for the grammar schools, and nearly all of them entered the High School in September. The following is the list: —

Frank L. Antoine, Chas. Aldrich, Abbie R. Bates, Bertie A. Bates, Julia W. Beal, Mabel L. Crane, Mary J. Dalton, Catherine Dalton, Florence L. Goodnow, Manuel S. Leonard, Emily N. Leonard, Geo. C. Lean, Lydia S. Morris, Nellie J. Powers, Delia Reilly, Margaret H. Roche, Emma F. Stoddard, Ross E. Savage, Mary A. Silvia, Susie H. Snow, E. Ella Sweeney, Russell B. Tower, Theodore F. Thayer, Abbie E. Wentworth.

Music.

The Town at its annual meeting, having appropriated a sum of money for introducing the systematic teaching of music in our schools, it remained for the committee to select the best system and engage a teacher.

After a most thorough examination of the two most prominent systems in use, the Normal and the National, choice was finally made of the National Music Course by Luther Whiting Mason, and Mr. A. E. Bradford, who was already employed in the schools of Hingham and Weymouth, was secured as teacher.

It is too early yet to speak of any results for it would require ten or twelve years for the children now beginning the study of music to finish the course, and it is not the desire of the Committee that the scholars be urged to make any special showing for exhibition purposes.

But it is very evident that the study has already awakened a new interest in the scholars, and it has made school a more pleasant place to them than it was before. It is also evident that by beginning at the very bottom and taking the scholars at the

start of their school life they take up the study of music as a matter of course as they would the study of geography or arithmetic, and thus one of the obstacles to teaching is removed, the idea often taking possession of an older scholar's mind that music is a study which requires a person to be specially gifted to pursue it, whereas it is something which should enter into the life of every one of us.

Irregularity of Attendance.

We would call the attention of parents to the greatest evil that our schools have to contend with, that of irregular attendance. Parents allow their children to be absent from school for the most trivial causes, and a trip to the city or a little work about home that could be postponed to a Saturday or one of the numerous holidays with which the present generation of scholars is blessed, is made an excuse for detention from school.

Parents cannot realize the great injury that they are doing not only to their own children, but to the school their children attend. They cannot realize how much is taken from the education of the child, how demoralizing it is to the child, school and teacher. Will parents think of this?

Truancy.

Your Committee have tried faithfully to compel daily attendance of all children between eight and fourteen years of age, as required by law, and have succeeded fairly well, considering the many loop-holes that exist in our laws in regard to compulsory attendance. We have had two cases the past year that have not only been a source of annoyance to us, but considerable expense to the Town, and we shall be compelled to send these boys to the truant school at Lawrence if the acts of the past year are repeated.

Parents' Day.

The last Wednesday of each term has been observed by the teachers of the various schools as Parents' Day. Although not nearly as many of the parents as we would wish visit the schools that day, we believe that we have taken a step in the right direction, and would ask the parents and all interested in education to make special efforts to visit the schools at least once each term.

Transportation of Scholars.

We have continued to provide for the transportation of the Beechwood and Nantasket scholars to the High School at an expense this past year of $275, for both districts. With the additional scholars from the Beechwood district the expense this year will be $350.

Mr. A. E. Tilden, has very satisfactorily attended to the trans portation the past year and a half, and considering the distance he has to come twice a day, six and one-quarter cents per child each trip does not seem an exorbitant charge. During January, February and March we have made arrangements to include two scholars that attend the High School from the King Street District, but would hardly feel warranted in continuing this from year to year without a vote of the Town similar to that passed some years ago, when this matter was brought up in relation to Beechwood and Nantasket.

Canterbury Street and Nantasket Schools.

We would call your attention to the fact that it would be well to take some action in the near future in regard to our school at Nantasket. It would seem as if this school might be combined with the Canterbury Street School, which is located just over the Hingham line, and that one good school might be formed, convenient to both districts and at a less expense than the present plan of maintaining two small schools. By this plan the scholars in the Jerusalem District would no longer suffer from the disadvantages of attending a mixed school.

Inspection of Schools and Teachers' Institute.

A thorough inspection of our schools was made last May by Mr. Geo. H. Martin of the State Board of Education. He found much to condemn, but as he comes to us to notice faults and help correct them and has but little time to bestow praise for those good points which we cannot help feeling exist in our schools to-day, we were not entirely unprepared for adverse criticism. A letter written by him in June to the Chairman of the Committee indicated there was much to encourage both teachers and Committee.

A Teachers' Institute was held in November at the High School under the supervision of Hon. J. W. Dickinson and Mr. Geo. H. Martin of the State Board, at which were present teachers from

Hingham, Scituate, Marshfield, Norwell and Hull. As nothing of the nature had been held since 1873, the teachers of the Town and your Committee made every effort to make this a profitable and sociable gathering for the eighty teachers from these neighboring towns.

Teachers.

During this past year the resignations of Miss Josie L. Vinal and Miss Georgiana Bates have been accepted. Miss R. B. Sampson has been transferred to the South School and Miss Mary L. Corey and Miss Lizzie J. Packard have been appointed teachers of the King Street School and Beechwood Primary respectively.

Vacancies have been filled by competitive examination, experience as teachers and a Normal School education adding much to a candidate's chance for acceptance. We regret to record the long illness of Miss Drusilla S. Lothrop which necessitated her absence from the High School during September and October, during which time Miss Annie N. Keene acted as substitute, giving satisfaction both to the Principal of that School and to the Committee.

Present Condition of the Schools.

While the teachers as faithfully performed their duties in years past as in the present, it is very evident that more is accomplished now than in previous years for the reason that the programme of studies for the term represents to both teachers and pupils the precise ground that must be covered, and the attainment to be made by the different classes. The rigid yet fair examinations at the close of each term are a spur to the pupils to do their best, and good honest work has been the rule. Greater demands have been made of the applicants for admission to the High School than ever before. The tests were well sustained by those who were admitted, and the pupils' best interests required all that was demanded of them. It is noteworthy that the scholars who were most diligent in preparation for the higher course have continued, without an exception, to maintain themselves with credit, while the few who lagged at their studies before are laggards still. In the one solitary instance where favor was shown to a scholar who failed to meet the requirements for admission the Committee has reason to regret the indulgence extended.

Our teachers, while not enjoying the advantages of skilled supervision, and the desired system of grading that could be obtained by means of a central school-building, are doing all that has been expected of them. They have the qualification that comes from experience and intelligent observation, and they are on the alert for ideas worthy of being incorporated into their work. It is seriously questioned if better results are obtained in any town in the State where conditions, lying out of the teachers' control, are so unfavorable.

Central School Building.

In the report of this Committee to the Town last year three recommendations were made: first, that a central school building be built which should contain all the schools of the Town with the exception of the Beechwood, King Street and Jerusalem Schools; second, that a skilled superintendent of schools be employed; and third, that some system of music be adopted for all the schools and a special teacher be hired to teach it. This last recommendation was adopted and an account of the work done in music during the past year forms another part of this report.

The Town refused to take any action on the recommendation with regard to a central school building, but your Committee at the end of another year feel more strongly than ever the necessity for such a building and again urge upon the Town the importance of taking some action upon this matter.

It is a singular fact that every one who has looked closely into the workings of the Cohasset schools, has recognized the importance of bringing together the schools in the centre of the Town into one building, and the ease with which this could be done on account of the advantageous location of the village. Your Committee feel that when the school children of the Town can be afforded the advantage of an education obtained in a properly graded school with the latest appliances in use for heating, lighting, and especially for ventilation, that it is an act of injustice to debar them any longer from this advantage. And the Town can well afford to put its scholars in the best position to obtain their education under the most favorable conditions.

The subject of ventilation is one which at the present time is engaging the attention of everyone interested in the welfare of our school children and a visit to our grammar and primary

schools would quickly show any one the crying need of the Cohasset schools in this respect.

The Town of Cohasset cannot afford to have its school children subjected to danger of disease contracted in poorly ventilated school-rooms. Page after page of this report could be covered with reasons why the Town should take immediately some action with regard to this very important question.

We would call your attention in this connection to the following letter from Mr. Geo. H. Martin, agent of the State Board of Education who has made a careful examination of the Cohasset schools, and who speaks as an expert on this subject:

BRIDGEWATER, MASS., Dec. 21st, 1888.

MY DEAR MR. RIPLEY:

In my inspection of the schools of Cohasset I was impressed by two things: First, the imperative need of better school accommodation; and second, the need of skilled supervision.

Some of the school-rooms are wholly unfit for their purpose in location, arrangement and sanitary provisions. There is also great waste of teaching force in having so many ungraded or semi-graded schools. One new building, centrally located and large enough to accommodate all the children of the village would make it possible to grade the schools and would add much to their efficiency. Such a building would be attractive to the children would increase their respect for education and would promote school attendance.

Those who are familiar with the public schools of the State consider a superintendent of schools indispensable to a good school system. The towns which have employed such an officer have rapidly gone to the front in school work. Tested by any standard the results in such towns are superior.

If Cohasset by union with some neighboring town could secure the service of a trained man to act under the direction of its school committee, the schools would begin to improve at once, and a much larger return for the money spent would be realized than is now the case.

Yours sincerely,

GEO. H. MARTIN.

Since the subject of a central school building was presented in the last annual report your committee have had an opportunity to become better acquainted with the sentiment of the people concerning this matter. An objection urged to the plan outlined last year, and one which the committee recognized as sound, is that in whatever part of the village the building would be placed it would be at too great a distance from the other part of the village for the smaller children to walk.

To obviate this difficulty your committee suggest that the new building be placed above the Common, and the South School house be moved to some point between its present position and the Harbor school and used as a primary school for the South and Harbor districts. This would give a primary school having only two grades to a room, and the change probably be made without expense to the town as Mr. Chas. A. Welch, whose land bounds the South School lot on three sides stands ready to purchase it whenever the town shall put it on the market.

The Harbor School could then be given up, and this would be a step in the right direction, as the town would be saved an expenditure for new water-closets which must be made soon if we are to retain the Harbor school, all efforts to make those now in use inoffensive having failed. The grammar school children of the South district would attend school in the new building. The plan given last year also included the High School in the new building, but objections have been made to this on the ground that it would be a useless expense to provide new quarters for a school which is now well accommodated in that respect in rooms which would fall into disuse were they vacated, and, although we still believe that the central building should include the High School, we are content to wait until such time as its presence there becomes imperative or until the quarters it now occupies are needed for other purposes, when an addition could easily be made to the central building, and the High School assume its proper place at the head of the system.

The plan then which a majority of the committee would suggest would be to erect a building large enough to contain the North Primary and Grammar, the Centre Primary and Grammar, the Elm St. Grammar and the South Grammar Schools. This would do away with the North school-house which, with the lot on which it stands, could be easily sold and should command a good price;

the Centre school-house, the site of which we understand is wanted for the Memorial Hall; the Elm Street Grammar which would involve no loss on the town, the Harbor school-house which would leave a room which could easily be leased by the town, and the South school-house which could probably be moved from the present situation, a very poor one by the way, and placed on a new site at an even exchange for the old lot. The new school-house would then have placed against its cost the amount realized from the sale of the North school-house, making its net cost not more than say, $8,000. The beneficial results which will follow the concentration of these schools under one roof will largely overbalance the cost to be incurred.

The committee make this however only as a suggestion, and would ask the town at its annual meeting to appoint a committee, made up in part by members of the school committee to consider what action it is best for the town to take in this matter and report at some future meeting of the town.

Superintendent of Schools.

The town took action on the recommendation in regard to the employment of a superintendent of schools by voting to instruct the school committee to employ a superintendent who should be a resident of the town. We presume that the intention of this vote was to restrict the choice of the committee to some person at that time an actual resident of the town, but the vote left the committee free to invite any person whom they might select for a superintendent to take up his residence in Cohasset and thus fulfil all the requirements of the vote. But to obtain the services of a superintendent who should take up his residence in Cohasset and give the whole of his time to the schools of Cohasset would involve the expenditure of $1,000 annually, for an experienced superintendent could easily command that salary. As there was no appropriation made for the salary of the superintendent to be chosen, and as the committee did not feel like inviting a superintendent to take his chances of the town ratifying the committee's action in regard to salary at the end of the year, no steps were taken in this direction. Your committee next turned its attention to their original proposition to secure the superintendent of the Hingham schools for two days in the week, but the school committee of that town did not care to lose their superintendent as a resident.

We should perhaps have stated at the outset that the committee knew of no one then a resident of the town who was skilled in the best methods of teaching, a young and vigorous man, who could respond to any calls made upon him by the committee. Your committee therefore reluctantly abandoned the idea of securing a superintendent until another year, and have carried on the schools as best they could during the year, but without that intimate acquaintance with the workings of the schools which seems to us necessary in order to obtain the best results.

The towns in Massachusetts which stand at the head in educational matters are the towns which employ as a superintendent a man who has made the science of teaching his life work. Weymouth, Quincy, Braintree, Milton, Canton, and Dedham, in fact all the principal towns of Norfolk County with the exception of Cohasset employ a superintendent of schools. If these towns need the services of a superintendent to get the best results from their schools, why does not our town also need such services? And as the scholars of these towns receive the benefits of a better education because of the employment of a superintendent, it is an injustice to our scholars to refrain longer from taking this step.

Edward F. Ripley,
E. P. Collier,
Joseph S. Bigelow,
Grenville D. Braman,
John W. Savage,
Herbert O. Beale.

ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTIETH

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS

OF THE

TOWN OF COHASSET

For the Year Ending December 31, 1889,

INCLUDING REPORTS OF THE

TOWN CLERK, TREASURER, SCHOOL COMMITTEE,
PUBLIC LIBRARY, AND SELECTMEN.

COHASSET:
PRESS OF BATES & BROWN.
1890.

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OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1889-90.

Town Clerk, NEWCOMB B. TOWER.

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor,

J. Q. A. LOTHROP, Chairman,	Term expires	March 1, 1891.
PHILANDER BATES,	" "	March 1, 1890.
CALEB F. NICHOLS,	" "	March 1, 1892.

Treasurer and Collector of Taxes, ABRAHAM H. TOWER.

Highway Surveyors,

THOMAS BATES, JAMES PETTEE, AMOS E. TILDEN, WALDO C. LOCKE, THOMAS W. WHITCOMB.

Auditor, CALEB LOTHROP.

School Committee,

EDWARD F. RIPLEY, Chairman,	Term expires	March 1, 1890.
E. POMEROY COLLIER, Secretary,	" "	March 1, 1890.
REV. JOHN W. SAVAGE,	" "	March 1, 1891.
JOSEPH S. BIGELOW,	" "	March 1, 1891.
E. HERBERT TOWLE,	" "	March 1, 1892.
NEWCOMB B. TOWER,	" "	March 1, 1892.

Superintendent of Schools, LOUIS P. NASH.

Constables,

EDWARD E. WENTWORTH, JOHN ROCHE, Jr., CHARLES E. NOTT, HENRY BRENNOCK, CHARLES L. KITTRELL, ARTHUR C. LITCHFIELD.

Fence Viewers, MORGAN B. STETSON, EBEN S. PRATT.

Fire Wards,

ZACCHEUS RICH, EDWARD E. WENTWORTH, CHARLES A. GROSS, A. BRADFORD LITCHFIELD, ALDEN BEAL.

Forest Fire Wards,

WALDO C. LOCKE, THOMAS L. BATES, ELMER E. BATES.

Sealer of Weights and Measures, ALLEN C. BATES.

Auctioneers, LOUIS N. LINCOLN, J. Q. A. LOTHROP, AARON PRATT.

Field Drivers,

THOMAS REEDY, JOSEPH JASON, Jr., THOMAS WILLIAMS, ABNER N. BATES, JOSEPH F. BANDURA, MANUEL E. SALVADOR.

Public Weighers. ABRAHAM H. TOWER, Jr., ALFRED BEAL.

Trustees of Public Library,

REV. JOSEPH OSGOOD,	Term expires	March 1, 1890.
MISS SARAH SIG. PRATT,	" "	March 1, 1890.
MISS EDITH M. BATES,	" "	March 1, 1890.
MRS. ABRAHAM H. TOWER,	" "	March 1, 1891.
MISS SARAH B. COLLIER,	" "	March 1, 1891.
JOHN W. BATES,	" "	March 1, 1891.
EDWARD E. ELLMS,	" "	March 1, 1892.
LOUIS T. CUSHING,	" "	March 1, 1892.
ABRAHAM H. TOWER,	" "	March 1, 1892.

Measurers of Wood and Bark, MORGAN B. STETSON, EZRA BROWN.

Surveyors of Lumber, ABRAHAM H. TOWER, Jr., ARTHUR O. HIGGINS.

Undertaker, ZACCHEUS RICH.

Keeper of Lock-up, LOUIS N. LINCOLN.

Pound Keeper, LEVI L. WORRICK.

Registrars of Voters,

CHARLES F. TILDEN, Chairman,	Term expires	May 1, 1891.
C. JAMES PRATT,	" "	May 1, 1892.
JOHN M. DAMON,	" "	May 1. 1890.

NEWCOMB B. TOWER, Town Clerk, *ex-officio.*

EXTRACTS FROM THE TOWN RECORDS.

At the Annual Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Cohasset, held March 4, 1889, J. Q. A. Lothrop, Esq., Moderator, it was voted, under the fourth article of the warrant, that the sum of thirty-five thousand five hundred dollars ($35,500 00) be appropriated the current year for the purposes specified as follows, viz. : —

For Support of Schools and incidental expenses,	$9,700 00
Payment of Debt,	5,000 00
Support of the Poor,	6,000 00
Highways, expended by Surveyors,	2,500 00
Special repairs, Jerusalem road,	2,500 00
" " Cove bridge, Expended by the Selectmen,	500 00
" " Margin street, Expended by the Selectmen,	500 00
" " Sidewalks, etc.,	1,000 00
Cohasset Water Company,	1,500 00
Hingham " "	300 00
Town Officers,	1,300 00
Removing Snow from streets and sidewalks,	300 00
Watering Streets,	900 00
Printing,	300 00
Fire Department,	600 00
Cohasset Public Library,	400 00
G. A. R. Post,	100 00
Incidentals,	600 00
State Aid,	400 00
Town Hall,	400 00
Interest,	700 00
Total,	$35,500 00

It was voted, that the sum of eight thousand five hundred dollars ($8,500.00) be raised by taxation, the current year.

It was voted, under the fifth article, that the taxes be collected in the same manner and paid into the treasury at the same time as last year. The original vote in relation to the collection of taxes is as follows: "Voted, that the taxes assessed for the year ensuing shall be due and payable on the first day of August; and on all taxes remaining unpaid on the first day of October, interest, not exceeding seven per cent. per annum, shall be added to each person's tax, until paid; and the taxes remaining unpaid on the tenth day of January (1890) shall be considered delinquent, and subject to collection according to law. The interest accruing under this vote shall be added to, and be a part of such taxes."

The list of Jurors, as accepted, is as follows, viz.:

Frank P. Appleton,	George W. Kimball,
Abraham J. Antoine,	Elisha Lincoln,
Philander Bates,	Waldo C. Locke,
Oliver H. Bates,	J. Q. A. Lothrop,
Elmer E. Bates,	Louis N. Lincoln,
Isaac W. Beal,	Caleb F. Nichols,
Herbert O. Beale,	Levi L. Nichols,
Alden Beal,	John T. Otis,
John Bryant,	James Pettee,
Charles F. Bennett,	Aaron Pratt,
Edward E. Ellms,	John L. Pratt,
Stephen D. Farrar,	Robert B. Pratt,
George O. Higgins,	Alson S. Richardson,
Warren S. Gammons,	Andrew J. Souther,
Charles Harris,	Morgan B. Stetson,
Samuel G. James,	Israel C. Vinal,
Winthrop Knight,	Charles H. Willard,

Levi L. Worrick.

It was voted, under the seventh article, that the report of the Selectmen on guide-boards be accepted. Their report is as follows:

"The Selectmen respectfully report that posts and guide-boards are erected and maintained as fully embodied in their report of 1888." (The report may be found on page 6 of the last year's town book.)

It was voted, under the eighth article, that the Selectmen cause the Financial Report to be printed and distributed in the month of February, 1890.

It was voted, under the ninth article, that the committee on the Soldiers' Monument be enlarged two members by the addition of Caleb Nichols and James A. Bouvé to said committee. By the same vote, this committee is requested to be prepared with a report and to submit the same to the town at the next annual meeting. (No committee of the town was prepared with a report to be submitted at this time.)

It was voted, under the tenth article, that the compensation of the Collector of Taxes be two hundred dollars, the same as usual.

It was voted, under the eleventh article, that licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors shall not be granted in the town the current year. "Yes," 52. "No," 69.

It was voted, under the twelfth article, that the Trustees of the Public Library be directed to elect a treasurer.

It was voted, under the thirteenth article, that the Selectmen be authorized to sell and convey any portion of Straits Pond flats lying within the limits of Hull, and to execute in behalf of the Town a deed or deeds for the same.

It was voted, under the fourteenth article, that the Selectmen be authorized to widen the culvert at Cove bridge.

It was voted, under the fifteenth article, that the School Committee be authorized to employ a Superintendent of Schools the current year.

It was voted, under the sixteenth article, that E. Pomeroy Collier, Joseph S. Bigelow, Edward F. Ripley, Amos A. Lawrence, Aaron Pratt, Rev. Joseph Osgood, and Newcomb B. Tower, be a committee of seven to consider the matter of a Central School building for certain schools in the town, and report at the next annual meeting.

It was voted, under the seventeenth article, that the matter of the transportation of school children from King street to the High School be left with the School Committee, with full authority to act as they may deem best.

It was voted, under the eighteenth article, that the sum of three hundred dollars ($300.00) be appropriated from the appropriations made for sidewalks under the fourth article, for building a sidewalk on North Main street from the residence of Thomas Bates to King street.

It was voted, under the nineteenth article, that the Selectmen be authorized to employ a constable, at the expense of the town, to attend in and about the Town Hall whenever free use of the same is granted. The Selectmen are instructed to collect in all cases when the hall is let, and when a constable is required to be employed, a sum from the lessee of the same, over and above the rental, sufficient to pay the officer for his services.

It was voted, under the twentieth article, that the Selectmen be instructed to collect pay for the use of the Town Hall whenever used. Provided, however, that when the hall is used by a society, an organization or institution of good moral standing in the town, or by individuals for any entertainment the proceeds of which are to be given to any society, organization, institution, or worthy object of charity, the Selectmen shall make no charge for the use of the same.

It was voted, under the twenty-first article, that the town accept of the provisions of Chapter 382 of the Acts of 1871, in relation to the laying out of highways.

It was voted, under article twenty-two, that the town treasurer and auditor be a committee of two to examine the auditing committee's report of the accounts for the years 1864 and 1865, and report to the town at a future meeting.

It was voted, under the twenty-third article, that the sum of three hundred dollars ($300.00) be appropriated for building a sidewalk from the residence of Louis T. Cushing, Esq., to the residence of Mrs. Jane Kinslie, on Beechwood street, and where already built, for graveling the same. The said sum to be taken from the appropriations for sidewalks made under the fourth article, and to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen.

Article twenty-fourth, relating to the erection of a hose-tower and placing a bell on Hose house No. 1, was laid upon the table.

It was voted, under the twenty-fifth article, that the sum of five hundred dollars ($500.00) be appropriated for the suppression

of the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors in this town during the current year, to be at the disposal of a committee of fifteen, who are to serve without pay. All money used under this vote is to be taken from the appropriation for incidentals, made under the fourth article. The above named committee is composed of the following persons, viz., Joshua W. Davis, John Jewett, Joseph Nichols, Arthur Stanley, Orlando Curtis, Herbert O. Beale, Franklin Stoddard, Edward E. Wentworth, Elisha Stetson, Charles F. Tilden, Frank F. Antoine, Newcomb B. Tower, and the Selectmen.

It was voted, under the twenty-sixth article, that the town unite with the town of Hingham in establishing a Union school for the accommodation of the Jerusalem school district and the Canterbury school district, under the provisions of sections 10 and 11 of chapter 44 of the public statutes. Also, voted, that the matter of the removal of the Jerusalem school building be left with the School Committee, and the sum of one hundred dollars be appropriated for the purchase of a lot of land, or for other necessary expenses incurred in connection therewith.

It was voted, under the twenty-seventh article, that the Selectmen be instructed to petition the County Commissioners to cause that portion of Jerusalem road from the gate near the residence of Cyrus H. Bates to Thomas Roche's shop, to be widened to the line established by the County Commissioners in 1867.

The several articles of the warrant having been acted upon and disposed of, the customary vote of thanks was tendered to the Moderator for efficient services rendered, and at four o'clock in the afternoon the meeting was dissolved.

ARTICLE OF AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION.

At a meeting of the legal voters of the town, held April 22, 1889, to vote upon the proposed Amendment to the Constitution, "The manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage are prohibited." The vote was, "Yes," 89. "No," 104.

ELECTION RECORD.

NOVEMBER 5, 1889.

The whole number of ballots cast was 253, and the requirements of the new law in relation to elections were complied with.

FOR GOVERNOR.

John Blackmer, of Springfield,	16
John Q. A. Brackett, of Arlington,	152
William E. Russell, of Cambridge,	70
Blanks,	15

FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR.

John W. Corcoran, of Clinton,	63
William H. Haile, of Springfield,	159
Benjamin F. Sturtevant, of Boston,	10
Blanks,	21

FOR SECRETARY.

George D. Crittenden, of Buckland,	10
William N. Osgood, of Boston,	54
Henry B. Peirce, of Abington,	160
Blanks,	29

FOR TREASURER AND RECEIVER GENERAL.

George A. Marden, of Lowell,	156
Edwin L. Munn, of Holyoke,	56
Frederick L. Wing, of Ashburnham,	11
Blanks,	30

FOR AUDITOR.

William H. Gleason, of Boston,	13
Charles R. Ladd, of Springfield,	152
William D. T. Trefry, of Marblehead,	55
Blanks,	33

FOR ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

Allen Coffin, of Nantucket,	9
Elisha B. Maynard, of Springfield,	59
Andrew J. Waterman, of Pittsfield,	153
Blanks,	32

FOR COUNCILLOR — First District.

Nehemiah P. Baker, of Falmouth,	10
John M. Hathaway, of Fairhaven,	62
Isaac N. Keith, of Bourne,	145
Blanks,	36

FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY — South-Eastern District.

Harvey H. Pratt, of Abington,	71
Charles W. Sumner, of Brockton,	141
Blanks,	41

FOR SHERIFF.

J. Walter Bradlee, of Milton,	130
Hubbard M. Bullock, of Franklin,	6
Augustus B. Endicott, of Dedham,	98
Blanks,	19

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER.

Edgar H. Bowers, of Needham,	45
Joshua B. Hanners, of Walpole,	7
John Q. A. Lothrop, of Cohasset,	190
Blanks,	11

FOR TWO SPECIAL COMMISSIONERS.

Albert E. Avery, of Braintree,	60
James Warren Clark, of Millis,	9
Bartholomew Doody, of Canton,	52
Everett L. Eaton, of Needham,	139
Wilbur F. Martin, of Randolph,	7
George L. Wentworth, of Weymouth,	141
Blanks,	34

For Three Commissioners of Insolvency.

Robert W. Carpenter, of Foxborough,	130
Emery Grover, of Needham,	137
John W. McAnarney, of Quincy,	53
George R. R. Rivers, of Milton,	49
Henry E. Ruggles, of Franklin,	49
George W. Wiggin, of Franklin,	136
Blanks,	45

For County Treasurer.

Charles H. Smith, of Dedham,	183
Blanks,	70

For Senator — First Plymouth District.

William T. Davis, of Plymouth,	59
Greenleaf Kilbrith, of Pembroke,	10
Hiram A. Oakman, of Marshfield,	158
Blanks,	26

For Representative — Fourth Plymouth District.

Henry Jones, of Hingham,	80
Lewis P. Loring, of Hull,	144
Thomas Stephenson, of Hingham,	12
Blanks,	17

The vote of the Fourth Plymouth District, by towns, for Representative to the General Court, was as follows, viz.,

	Cohasset.	Hingham.	Hull.	Total.
Lewis P. Loring, of Hull,	144	269	31	444
Henry Jones, of Hingham,	80	315	47	442
Thomas Stephenson, of Hingham,	12	43	0	55
Thomas Weston,	0	1	0	1
William Hudson, of Hingham,	0	1	0	1
Thomas Weston, of Hingham,	0	1	0	1
Motic McNeil,	0	1	0	1
Blanks,	17	39	6	62
Total,	253	670	84	1007

Lewis P. Loring, of Hull, having a plurality of the votes in the district, was elected, and his certificate of election duly filled out.

Fire Record, 1889.

March 28. Woodland, belonging to heirs of John Bates, and situated near North Main street. Five acres burned.

May 14. Wooden building, belonging to heirs of John J. Lothrop, and occupied by Samuel D. Tower for manufacturing purposes, situated on Border street. Partial loss on building, estimated at $600, and total loss on contents, estimated at $800.

Dogs Licensed in 1889.

Male, ...	157
Female, ...	4
Total, ...	161

Number of Enrolled Militia, May 1, 1889, 326.

N. B. TOWER, *Town Clerk.*

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN

OF THE EXPENDITURES AND THE FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE TOWN OF COHASSET, FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31ST, 1889.

State and Military Aid.

Paid Hannah F. Arnold,	$48 00	
George Arnold,	72 00	
Julia F. Henry,	48 00	
Asahel F. Nott,	36 00	
Warren Newcomb,	54 00	
Ann M. Ripley,	48 00	
Leander W. Groce,	36 00	
J. Foster Doane,	86 00	
William F. Harris,	100 00	
Alfred Haskell,	96 00	
Daniel B. Lincoln,	120 00	
Isaac Phinney,	124 00	
Isaac H. Tower,	72 00	
Joseph Munnies,	12 00	
Stephen P. Lincoln,	48 00	
		$1000 00
Amount reimbursed by the State,		714 00
		$286 00

Abatements.

Abated from tax of 1885,	$30 61	
" " 1886,	112 14	
" " 1887,	128 92	
" " 1888,	56 97	
" " 1889,	35 43	
		$364 07

Fire Department.

Fire Engine.

Paid James Sweeney, steward, . . .	$30 00	
Thirty-one Firemen, poll taxes, . .	62 00	
Wm. F. Thayer & Son, refreshments, .	17 33	
Joseph St. John, "	10 42	
Gross & Nichols, "	4 20	
C. F. B. Tilden, horses to fires, . .	26 50	
Allen C. Bates, oil, etc., . . .	2 02	
William H. Beal, repairs, . . .	75	
Tower, Bro. & Co., sundries, . .	1 70	
		$154 92

Hose Company.

Paid John J. Ainslie, steward, . . .	$40 00	
Twelve Hosemen, poll taxes, . .	24 00	
Wallace Willcutt, refreshments, . .	26 71	
J. Q. A. Lothrop, stove, . . .	5 00	
Allen C. Bates, lamps, etc. . . .	7 47	
Cousens & Pratt, wagon cover, . .	9 60	
Henry Brennock, labor, . . .	1 25	
Clarence S. Burr, spanners, etc., .	20 95	
William H. Beal, straps, . . .	5 00	
Beal's Express, ...	2 60	
Samuel D. Tower, paint, . . .	1 62	
Joseph Jason, horses to fire, . .	3 00	
Amos E. Tilden, horses to fires, . .	24 50	
Charles F. Tilden, repairs, . . .	4 88	
Tower, Bro. & Co., wood and coal, .	12 46	
Gross & Nichols, sundries, . . .	35	
C. F. Nichols, " . . .	30	
D. W. Pratt, glazing, . . .	1 05	
J. Q. A. Lothrop, services, . .	5 00	
		$195 74

Hook and Ladder Company.

Paid George Jason, steward, . . .	$20 00	
Twelve Firemen, poll taxes, . .	24 00	
Joseph A. Antoine, painting, . .	7 87	
Amount carried forward	51 87	

Amount brought forward	51 87	
Paid Allen C. Bates, lamps, etc., . .	23 85	
Wallace Willcutt, refreshments, . .	16 91	
William F. Thayer & Son, refreshments,	4 16	
Beal's Express, ...	1 00	
Amos E. Tilden, horses to fires, . .	19 00	
Joseph Jason, " " . .	2 00	
Tower, Bro. & Co., wood, coal, etc., .	14 57	
C. F. Nichols, sundries, . . .	28	
		$133 6

HOSE COMPANY—Jerusalem Road.

Paid Hingham Water Company, for hydrants,	$150 00	
James S. Beal, rent, ...	10 00	
" " repairs, . . .	2 50	
Three Hosemen, poll taxes, . .	6 00	
		$168 5

FOREST FIRES.

Paid Waldo C. Locke and others, watching fires,	$8 00	
		$8 0
Total expenditures of Fire Department, . . .		$660 8

Cohasset Water Company.

Paid Waldo Higginson, treasurer, ... $1,750 0

School Appropriation.

Paid Treasurer of School Committee, . . . $9,700 0

Printing.

Paid Cohasset Cottager, town reports, .	$165 00	
" " notices, . .	48 75	
Bates & Brown, " . .	20 00	
Cotton & Gould, " . .	5 75	
N. B. Tower, tax bills, etc., . .	14 75	
		$254 25

Town Hall.

Paid Abington Fire Ins. Co., insurance,	$12 00	
Allen C. Bates, plumbing, etc.,	53 95	
Bela Stoddard, mason,	15 19	
S. J. Hayden, labor,	6 00	
W. A. W. Tilden, voting shelves, etc.,	28 25	
Charles F. Tilden, iron work,	8 05	
Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber, etc.,	48 00	
Amos E. Tilden, teaming,	6 75	
C. F. B. Tilden, "	1 00	
Henry Brennock, labor,	11 25	
Delia Rooney, cleaning,	1 25	
Lincoln Bros., wood and coal,	17 80	
Daniel W. Pratt, painting,	12 18	
		$221 67

Henry Bryant Post, G. A. R.

Paid William F. Thayer, Quartermaster,	$100 00

Repairs of Highways.

THOMAS BATES, Surveyor.

Paid Thomas Bates and team,	$102 37	
Thomas L. Bates and teams,	103 13	
Charles Curtis, labor,	31 50	
John N. Cook, "	15 75	
Patrick O'Keefe, "	26 25	
Wm. O'Keefe, "	30 25	
Plummer F. Palmer, labor,	17 50	
Isaac L. Morey, "	8 75	
Levi L. Worrick, "	27 50	
Manuel Jason, "	19 25	
Henry White, "	21 50	
James O'Brien, "	26 25	
Nathaniel R. Prouty, "	17 50	
Eugene McSweeney, "	33 25	
Jesse Barnes, "	19 25	
Thomas Bates, gravel,	25 00	
		$525 00

Amount expended by THOMAS BATES, Surveyor, under the direction of the Selectmen.

Sidewalk, North Main Street.

Paid Thomas Bates and teams,	$31 38	
Thomas L. Bates and teams,	50 08	
Patrick O'Keefe, labor,	17 94	
William O'Keefe, "	17 44	
James O'Brien, "	16 19	
Plummer F. Palmer, labor,	17 94	
Levi L. Worrick, "	21 44	
Manuel Jason, "	19 69	
Nathaniel R. Prouty, "	17 94	
Charles Curtis, "	26 69	
Eugene McSweeney, "	24 94	
Henry White, "	21 44	
Thomas Bates, gravel and stone,	17 70	
		$300 81

Forest Avenue.

Paid Thomas Bates and team,	$56 00	
Thomas L. Bates and team,	54 25	
James O'Brien, labor,	8 75	
Frank Bielar "	10 50	
Patrick O'Keefe, "	11 38	
Levi L. Worrick, "	14 88	
William O'Keefe, "	9 63	
Italians, "	7 00	
Charles Curtis, "	13 13	
Eugene McSweeney, labor,	14 88	
		$200 40

Ripley Road.

Paid Thomas Bates and team,	$17 00	
Eugene McSweeney, labor,	9 88	
Patrick O'Keefe, "	9 00	
Thomas Bates, gravel,	8 75	
		$44 63

Great Swamp.

Paid Thomas Bates and team,	$10 50	
Thomas L. Bates and team,	8 75	
Charles Curtis, labor,	7 00	
Levi L. Worrick, "	7 00	
Eugene McSweeney, labor,	4 38	
William O'Keefe, "	4 38	
Patrick O'Keefe, "	3 00	
James O'Brien, "	6 00	
		$50 01

Bridge, North Main Street.

Paid Thomas Bates and team,	$7 00	
Eugene McSweeney, labor,	2 63	
William O'Keefe, "	2 63	
		$12 26
Total amount expended,		$1,133 11

WALDO C. LOCKE, Surveyor.

Paid Waldo C. Locke, team, gravel, and drill,	$168 94	
William O. Souther, team,	27 64	
Levi L. Worrick, "	55 72	
Samuel G. James, "	23 25	
Frederic James, "	41 05	
Harry Burbank, labor,	13 13	
Ezekiel L. James, "	22 75	
Arthur S. Bates, "	3 50	
Otis V. Barnes, "	36 38	
M. B. Stetson & Co., scythe and rake,	1 20	
Tower, Bro. & Co., plank and spikes,	1 54	
Gross & Nichols, rendrock,	4 60	
Albert Litchfield, sharpening drills,	30	
		$400 00

Amount expended by WALDO C. LOCKE, Surveyor, under the direction of the Selectmen:

Bridge, King Street.

Paid Waldo C. Locke, team, gravel and covering stone,	$43 23	
Amount carried forward	$43 23	

Amount brought forward	$43 23	
Paid Caleb Lincoln, team, ...	1 50	
Otis V. Barnes, labor, . . .	14 88	
Frederic James, "	16 63	
Joseph Caton, posts, ...	12 00	
Tower, Bro. & Co., plank and spikes, .	8 26	
		$96 50

Sohier Street.

Paid Waldo C. Locke and team, . .	$14 00	
Otis V. Barnes, labor, . . .	14 00	
Edward E. Tower, gravel, . . .	1 35	
		$29 35
Total amount expended, ...		$525 85

THOMAS W. WHITCOMB, Surveyor.

Paid Thomas W. Whitcomb and team, .	$159 00	
John W. Bates, " . .	11 00	
Samuel Hardwick, " . .	45 00	
George W. Mealy, " . .	12 75	
Samuel E. Pratt, " . .	10 87	
Oliver H. Bates, " . .	8 25	
Horace J. Damon, " . .	14 50	
Joseph W. Whitcomb, " . .	23 75	
Elmer E. Bates, " . .	19 00	
Thomas Williams, " . .	12 25	
Thomas C. Whitcomb, " . .	5 50	
Aaron Pratt, team and gravel, . .	19 59	
Isaiah Lincoln, team and gravel, .	22 03	
Lewis L. Wheelwright, labor, . .	3 50	
Abraham Lincoln, " . .	3 50	
William Homer, " . .	1 75	
Frank Salvador, " . .	6 12	
William W. Apts, " . .	4 80	
Alfred Haskell, " . .	1 00	
George L. Litchfield, " . .	1 75	
Alfred Seaverns, " . .	1 75	
Frank Frates, " . .	3 50	
Amount carried forward	$391 16	

Amount brought forward	$391 16	
Paid Frank Frates, Jr., " . .	4 38	
Gilman Downey, " . .	15 75	
Foster Litchfield, " . .	45 93	
William W. Bates, " . .	8 75	
Frank Sargent, " . .	88	
Joseph J. Silva, 2nd, " . .	2 63	
Charles H. Litchfield, " . .	5 25	
Thomas W. Whitcomb, gravel . .	5 20	
Otis Mott, gravel, ...	1 80	
		$481 73

Amount expended by THOMAS W. WHITCOMB, Surveyor, under the direction ef the Selectmen:

Sidewalk, Beechwood Street.

Paid Thomas W. Whitcomb, team and gravel,	$117 55	
George W. Mealy and team, . .	24 63	
Caleb Lincoln, " . . .	13 75	
John W. Bates, " . . .	13 63	
Edwin Bates, " . . .	27 25	
Ira B. Pratt, " . . .	12 75	
Samuel E. Pratt, " . . .	8 25	
Foster Litchfield, labor, . . .	13 13	
Lewis L. Wheelwright, Jr., labor, .	5 25	
Frank Frates, labor, ...	35 70	
William Young, labor, . . .	14 88	
Samuel Hardwick, labor, . . .	1 75	
Edwin W. Bates, " . . .	10 50	
Joseph Caton, " . . .	10 50	
Joseph Grace, " . . .	1 75	
Edward E. Ellms, use of stone cart, .	10 00	
		$321 27
Total amount expended, ...		$803 00

JAMES PETTEE, Surveyor.

Paid James Pettee, and team, . . .	$139 00	
Thomas L. Bates, " . . .	50 00	
Alden Beal, " . . .	40 00	
Amount carried forward	$229 00	

Amount brought forward	$229 00	
Paid C. F. B. Tilden, and team . . .	20 00	
Thomas Reedy, labor, . . .	38 62	
Edward Campbell, labor, . . .	46 62	
Thomas F. Sheridan, labor, . .	37 37	
William Mulvey, " . . .	57 75	
Edward Morse, " . . .	36 07	
John Beale, crushed stone, . . .	36 00	
Henry M. Whitney, gravel, . .	44 87	
Caleb F. Nichols, " . .	10 75	
		$557 05

Amount expended by JAMES PETTEE, Surveyor, under the direction of the Selectmen:

Jerusalem Road.

Paid James Pettee, and team, . . .	$173 87	
Alden Beal, " . . .	270 00	
Thomas L. Bates, " . . .	253 50	
Amos E. Tilden, " . . .	184 87	
Edward E. Tower, " . . .	30 00	
Thomas Reedy, labor	136 06	
Edward Campbell, labor, . . ,	121 81	
William Mulvey, " . . .	64 75	
Thomas F. Sheridan, labor, . .	63 84	
Edward Morse, " . . .	35 00	
Patrick Cronican, " . . .	14 00	
Rich & Marble, water pipes, . .	19 37	
John Beale, crushed stone, . .	246 00	
Edward E. Tower, crushed stone, .	135 00	
Henry M. Whitney, gravel, . .	13 25	
Frank M. Nichols, sharpening tools, .	2 85	
		$1,764 17

Cedar Street.

Paid James Pettee, and team, . . .	$37 67	
Levi L. Worrick, " . . .	55 12	
Thomas Bates, " . . .	11 38	
Thomas L. Bates, " . . .	3 50	
Amount carried forward	$107 67	

Amount brought forward	$107 67	
William O'Keefe, labor . . .	9 62	
John N. Cook, " . . .	9 62	
Thomas Reedy, " . . .	28 00	
Edward Campbell, " . . .	34 12	
Gross & Nichols, rendrock, . .	2 30	
Frank M. Nichols, sharpening drills, .	2 45	
		$193 78
Total amount expended, ...		$2,515 00

AMOS E. TILDEN, Surveyor.

Paid Amos E. Tilden, and team, . .	$134 25	
Edward E. Ellms, " . . .	14 00	
Manuel S. Leonard, " . . .	21 88	
Joseph Jason, " . . .	12 25	
Thomas Mulcahy, labor, . . .	28 93	
George M. Ennice, " . . .	69 12	
Manuel Silva, " . . .	51 61	
Manuel E. Brazil, " . . .	11 81	
George E. Antone, " . . .	22 74	
John Smith, " . . .	22 74	
Manuel S. Enos, " . . .	5 25	
Joseph S. Enos, " . . .	13 12	
John Ferriera, " . . .	18 37	
Joseph Battles, " . . .	1 50	
Edward E. Tower, gravel, . . .	109 26	
Joseph E. Frates, " . . .	4 78	
		$541 61

Amount expended by AMOS E. TILDEN, Surveyor, under the direction of the Selectmen:

Atlantic Avenue.

Paid Amos E. Tilden, and team, . .	$36 25	
Thomas Mulcahy, labor, . . .	28 00	
Manuel Silva, " . . .	28 00	
George M. Ennice, ...	29 75	
John Ferriera, ...	10 00	
Edward E. Tower, gravel, . . .	5 00	
		$137 00

South Main Street.

Paid Amos E. Tilden, and team,	$20 00	
George M. Ennice, labor,	9 00	
Thomas F. Sheridan, labor,	1 75	
Edward E. Tower, crushed stone,	18 00	
E. E. Ellms, gravel,	4 50	
		$53 25

South Main Street, by Post Office.

Paid Amos E. Tilden, and team,	$28 50	
Manuel S. Leonard, "	6 15	
Thomas Mulcahy, labor,	17 50	
George M. Ennice, "	16 75	
Manuel Silva, "	5 25	
John Ferriera, "	17 37	
John Ferriera, cement,	1 00	
Waldo Bros., grating stone,	10 00	
J. Q. A. Lothrop, sand and brick,	2 50	
Spencer H. Stoughton, mason,	18 38	
Edward E. Ellms, gravel,	4 00	
Edward E. Tower, "	17 32	
		$144 72

Margin Street.

Paid Amos E. Tilden, and team,	$151 75	
Edward E. Ellms, "	40 00	
Manuel S. Leonard, "	52 50	
Joseph Jason, "	51 75	
Thomas Mulcahy, labor,	28 88	
Joseph S. Enos, "	27 13	
John Ferriera, "	13 13	
Manuel Silva, "	7 88	
George M. Ennice, labor,	3 50	
George M. Ennice, Jr., labor,	14 00	
George E. Antone, "	88	
Manuel E. Salvador, "	1 32	
John Smith, "	88	
Edward E. Tower, gravel,	85 76	
		$479 36

Margin Street, by Atlantic Avenue.

Paid Amos E. Tilden, and team,	$39 51	
Manuel S. Leonard, "	7 00	
George M. Ennice, labor,	16 62	
Manuel Silva, "	16 62	
Thomas Mulcahy, "	7 87	
John Ferriera, "	3 50	
Joseph E. Frates, gravel,	2 78	
Edward E. Tower, "	2 52	
		$96 42
Total amount expended,		$1,452 36

OTHER EXPENDITURES ON HIGHWAYS.

Cove Bridge.

Paid Charles Wilson, covering stone,	$193 50	
Old Colony R. R., freight,	27 00	
John L. Pratt, labor	63 75	
Thomas Mulcahy, labor,	38 50	
Joseph E. Gracia, "	40 25	
Antone Salvador, "	41 13	
Patrick Downs, "	51 00	
Lawrence, "	31 50	
Manuel Gracia, "	42 75	
George M. Ennice, "	44 02	
Manuel E. Brazil, "	42 00	
John J. Lincoln, "	39 75	
Amos E. Tilden, teaming,	51 49	
O. E. Madden, derrick,	24 00	
Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber,	68 70	
Charles F. Tilden, smithing,	40 99	
James Sweeney, care of lights,	15 50	
James Rooney, sea-weed,	50	
Cohasset Water Co., pump and pipe,	4 00	
William McNamara, labor,	1 25	
Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber, drain pipe, etc.,	261 48	
Henry Snow, drain, So. Main street,	4 65	
Amount carried forward	$1,127 71	

OTHER EXPENDITURES ON HIGHWAYS.

Cove Bridge.—Continued.

Amount brought forward . . .	$1,127 71	
Paid Manuel Silva, 2nd, sidewalk, Church St.,	20 00	
Cohasset Water Co., removing ledge, .	14 60	
Peter Brennock, repairing Mill bridge,	4 00	
Michael Brennock, " " "	4 00	
Gross & Nichols, rendrock, . .	27 16	
Thomas Bates, labor and screen, 1888,	18 00	
John Dunn, on Jerusalem Road, . .	104 50	
Joseph F. Silva, posts, . . .	10 80	
Charles J. Fox, widening Atlantic Ave.,	20 00	
Thomas Loney, labor, Pleasant street,	4 75	
James O'Brien, " " "	3 50	
Thomas Bates, teaming, " "	5 25	
Edward E. Tower, crushed stone, Pleasant street, ...	9 90	
Wm. A. W. Tilden, railing, Border St.,	33 88	
" " " So. Main St.,	13 75	
Amos E. Tilden, men and teams, South Main street, ...	15 39	
Charles F. Tilden, smithing, . .	58 16	
William Minot, rent, ...	10 00	
Daniel W. Pratt, painting fences, .	26 50	
Samuel E. Pratt, labor on road, . .	20 40	
J. Q. A. Lothrop, services, . . .	25 00	
Philander Bates, " . . .	40 00	
C. F. Nichols, " . . .	45 00	
		$1,662 25
Total amount of expenditure on Highways, . .		$8,091 57

Removing Snow.

Paid Levi L. Worrick, ...	$8 00	
Caleb F. B. Tilden, ...	16 00	
William O. Souther, ...	17 25	
Samuel E. Pratt, ...	18 00	
Amos E. Tilden, ...	11 00	
		$70 25

Watering Streets.

Paid Charles S. Bates,	$500 00	
Alden Beal,	300 00	
Hingham Water Co.,	200 00	
" " " stand pipes,	20 00	
Allen C. Bates, repairs,	7 03	
Charles F. Tilden, repairs,	3 50	
		$1,030 53

Proposed New Road.

Paid Daniel N. Tower, surveying,	$46 50	
J. Q. A. Lothrop, services,	15 00	
Philander Bates, "	21 50	
C. F. Nichols, "	20 00	
		$103 00

Improvement of Roads.

Paid Jos. H. Bancroft, land, Jerusalem Road,	$300 00	
Hyde, Dickinson & Howe, services,	56 90	
Mary M. Pratt, land, Ripley Road,	90 00	
		$446 90

Straits Pond.

Paid Henry Brennock, labor,	$6 76	
Nutter, Barnes & Co., castings,	4 25	
Charles F. Tilden, smithing,	11 05	
Hyde, Dickinson & Howe, services,	15 00	
Alfred Beal, care of gate, and oil,	57 60	
J. Q. A. Lothrop, services,	10 00	
Philander Bates, "	7 50	
C. F. Nichols, "	10 00	
		$122 16

Public Library.

Paid A. H. Tower, treasurer,	$400 00

Appropriation for Suppressing the Illegal Sale of Liquors.

Paid Citizens' Law and Order League, . . .		$93 86

State and County Tax.

Paid State Tax, ...	$4,800 00	
County Tax, ...	3,039 90	
		$7,839 90

Town Officers.

Paid J. Q. A. Lothrop, services and expenses as Selectman and Assessor, . .	$308 74	
Philander Bates, Selectman and Assessor,	250 00	
Caleb F. Nichols, " "	250 00	
Abraham H. Tower, treasurer and collector, ...	250 00	
Newcomb B. Tower, town clerk, . .	40 00	
" " registrar of voters,	12 00	
Charles F. Tilden, " "	12 00	
John M. Damon, " "	12 00	
C. James Pratt, " "	12 00	
Allen C. Bates, sealer of weights and measures, ...	50 00	
Robert L. Curtis, constable, 1888, .	20 00	
Arthur C. Litchfield, " .	25 00	
Charles E. Nott, " .	50 00	
John Roche, Jr., " .	35 00	
Henry Brennock, " .	64 40	
Edward E. Wentworth, constable, .	56 50	
" " election officer,	4 00	
Henry Brennock, " "	4 00	
Charles F. Tilden, " "	4 00	
Abraham H. Tower, " "	4 00	
Caleb Lothrop, auditor, . . .	20 00	
		$1,483 64

Incidental Expenses.

Paid Willie F. Thayer, damage to team,	$25 00
Joseph St. John, stationery and postage,	24 71
Levi Tower, care of lamp,	20 00
Philander Bates, distributing reports,	6 00
Allen C. Bates, 2 pumps,	29 00
" " " chimneys and dippers,	2 03
Erastus Worthington, clerk of court,	3 00
E. L. Burdakin, copy of records,	20 00
Dr. C. B. Bridgham, return of births,	5 25
Dr. O. H. Howe, " " "	2 75
Arthur Stanley, distributing ballots,	2 50
Zaccheus Rich, " "	2 50
Robert C. Davis, entertainment, County Commissioners,	10 00
Henry Brennock, flag staff,	1 00
Andrew H. Prouty, mowing ball ground,	11 20
C. F. B. Tilden, horse hire, selectmen,	9 50
Gross & Nichols, postage and stationery,	17 90
" " " oil, etc., street lamp,	8 24
Paid to Treas. Cemetary Ass.,	50 00
Ann Thomas, cleaning offices,	4 00
Philander Bates, record book,	1 75
James O'Brien, labor on common,	17 50
Beal's Express,	4 75
Samuel D. Tower, repairs on hearse,	1 00
A. H. Tower, rent of ball ground,	50 00
Charles F. Tilden, repairs on hearse,	3 00
Dr. J. B. Harvey, return of births,	2 00
Luther J. Bates, care of lamp,	20 00
Luther J. Bates, oil, etc., lamp,	6 00
C. W. Sparrel, return of deaths,	3 50
Zaccheus Rich, " " "	6 00
Louis N. Lincoln, care of hall,	15 00
" " " " " lockup,	15 00
Newcomb Bates, " " town clock,	30 00
Amount carried forward	$430 08

Amount brought forward	$430 08	
Paid Amos E. Tilden, horse hire, selectmen and assessors, ...	78 45	
Amos E. Tilden, horse hire, constables,	8 50	
John Mulcahy, services at lockup, .	3 00	
Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber, ballot-shelves,	16 41	
" " " " " hearse-house,	19 91	
" " " " rigging; flag staff,	1 44	
Daniel N. Tower, surveying, Atlantic Ave.,	1 00	
Peter C. Kimball, lunch at election, .	4 00	
C. F. Nichols, sundries, . . .	66	
Newcomb B. Tower, recording births, marriages and deaths, . . .	29 75	
Newcomb B. Tower, use of typewriter and stationery.	16 50	
Newcomb B. Tower, record books, .	11 55	
Edward E. Wentworth, services at Town Hall, ...	8 50	
Edward E. Wentworth, services insane case,	12 00	
Daniel W. Pratt, setting glass, . .	1 00	
		$642 75

Amount of Expenditures.

For State and Military Aid, . .	$1,000 00
Abatements, ...	364 07
Fire Department, ...	660 80
Cohasset Water Co., ...	1,750 00
School Appropriation, ...	9,700 00
Printing, ...	254 25
Town Hall, ...	221 67
G. A. R. Post, ...	100 00
Highways, ...	8,091 57
Removing Snow, ...	70 25
Watering Streets, ...	1,030 53
Proposed New Road, ...	103 00
Amount carried forward . . .	$23,346 14

Amount brought forward . . .	$23,346 14	
For Improvement of Roads, . . .	446 90	
Straits Pond, ...	122 16	
Public Library, ...	400 00	
Liquor Appropriation, . . .	93 86	
State and County Tax, . . .	7,839 90	
Town Officers, ...	1,483 64	
Incidentals, ...	642 75	
Support and Relief of Poor, . .	6,513 65	
Interest, ...	699 33	
		$41,588 33

Indebtedness of the Town.

JANUARY, 1890.

FUNDED DEBT. (Issue of May 1, 1876.)

Cohasset Savings Bank, 1 Note due 1890,	$1,000 00	
W. W. Clapp, 1 Note due 1890, . . .	1,000 00	
		$2,000 00

DEMAND NOTES.

Martha T. Bates, ...	$1,000 00	
A. H. Tower, Trustee for Lothrop heirs, .	3,700 00	
		$4,700 00

HALL ESTATE DEBT.

Cohasset Savings Bank, 1 Note due 1890,	$1,000 00	
Total interest bearing debt, . .	$7,700 00	

Assets of the Town, January, 1890.

Due from State for Military aid, . .	$714 00	
" " Paupers, . . .	100 00	
" James Dady, for wife, . . .	339 38	
Amount carried forward . . .	$1,153 38	

Amount brought forward . . .	$1,153 38	
Due from Mendoca estate, ...	595 00	
" Mary J. Enos, mortgage, . .	350 00	
" Mary O'Brien, ...	200 00	
" City of Gloucester, . . .	87 70	
" Town of Scituate, . . .	21 75	
" John E. Kinsley, . . .	28 00	
Balance in Treasury, . . .	4,876 54	
" due from State, Corp. Tax (estimated),	400 00	
		$7,712 37

Respectfully submitted,

J. Q. A. LOTHROP,
PHILANDER BATES,
CALEB F. NICHOLS.
Selectmen of Cohasset.

REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

For the Year Ending December 31st, 1889.

Almshouse Account.

Amount paid for Provisions, Groceries, Grain, Salaries, etc.

Paid C. M. Trommer,	$225 00
F. M. Trommer,	130 00
Est. Samuel Bates,	12 01
Seaverns & Spear,	47 33
Cohasset Clothing Co.,	58 40
C. F. B. Tilden,	4 75
C. F. Nichols,	73 20
E. E. Bates,	57 39
W. V. Bogart,	49 90
Massachusetts Ploughman,	2 00
Philander Bates,	35 47
A. C. Bates,	56 00
L. L. Worrick,	1 00
W. Willcutt,	85 06
Z. Rich,	61 00
F. W. Browne,	17 15
Lincoln Bros.,	103 09
G. N. Pierce & Co.,	25 00
M. R. Cushing,	1 38
Dr. O. H. Howe,	15 75
M. B. Stetson & Co.,	102 94
C. H. Trommer,	50 00
C. M. Trommer,	75 66
Amount carried forward,	$1,289 48

Amount brought forward,	$1,289 48	
Gross & Nichols,	142 52	
H. L. Brown,	126 79	
G. A. Stetson,	3 30	
W. F. Thayer & Son,	94 14	
Dr. C. B. Bridgham,	10 50	
S. G. James,	4 00	
W. H. Beal,	23 55	
Beal's Express,	5 20	
S. D. Tower,	60 00	
E. L. James,	4 70	
W. O. Souther,	22 23	
C. F. Tilden,	33 65	
W. C. Locke,	9 70	
Tower, Bro. & Co.,	284 24	
N. Bates,	4 50	
D. B. Tower,	52 15	
F. H. Nichols,	41 72	
A. E. Tilden,	34 00	
Bourne & Nickerson,	83 89	
D. Sylvester,	48 51	
E. E. Wentworth,	39 35	
Overseers' services,	90 00	
		$2,508 12

Amount Received from Sales and Income.

Rec'd C. M. Trommer, produce,	$76 00	
M. B. Stetson "	2 96	
W. F. Thayer & Son, produce,	10 17	
Bourne & Nickerson, "	1 56	
Manuel Silva, 2nd, interest,	35 70	
A. H. Tower, trustee,	180 00	
		$306 39
Debit brought forward,	$2,508 12	
Credit " "	306 39	
Almshouse debtor to balance,		$2,201 73

The following persons have been inmates of the Almshouse during the year 1889 ;

Elizabeth Hudson,	Jane B. Lambert,
Augusta Silva,	Jane C. White,
Antone George,	Frances George,
William C Hayden,	David Vinal,
Robert Williams,	Joseph W. Pratt,
William Hayden,	Mary Hayden,
Philip Sullivan,	John L. Morey,

John J. Lothrop, boarder.

PARTIAL SUPPORT OF PERSONS OUTSIDE OF ALMSHOUSE.

Paid Taunton Lunatic Hospital, George B. Wil liams,	$128 50	
Joanna Colbrith,	169 46	
William Kilburn,	169 46	
Lot Willcutt,	117 22	
Worcester Asylum, Elizabeth J. Dady,	169 46	
Westborough Insane Hospital, Julia Macomber,	169 46	
		$923 56

Assistance to Elizabeth Ainslie and three children.

Paid orders on treasurer,	$18 00	
Philander Bates, boots and shoes,	5 96	
Wallace Willcutt, groceries,	1 83	
Frank W. Browne, medicine,	40	
Dr. C. B. Bridgham, medical attendance,	8 00	
Dr. O. H. Howe, " "	15 75	
C. F. B. Tilden, team,	3 00	
Tower, Bro. & Co., wood and coal,	13 00	
Bourne & Nickerson, meats,	10 90	
		$76 84

Assistance to Myra Gardner.

Paid orders on Treasurer, $58 50

Assistance to Manuel Enos and wife.

Paid orders on Treasurer, ...	$24 00	
Dr. C. B. Bridgham, medical attendance,	10 00	
M. B. Stetson & Co., groceries, . .	30 77	
P. Bates, boots and shoes, . . .	2 50	
Tower, Bro. & Co., wood and coal, .	4 50	
		$71 77

Assistance to Mary Martin.

Paid orders on Treasurer, ...	$24 00	
Dr. C. B. Bridgham, medical attendance,	21 00	
John Silva, rent, ...	15 00	
		$60 00

Assistance to Mary L. McGrath and child.

Paid orders on Treasurer, ...	$48 00	
P. Bates, boots, ...	6 42	
Dr. C. B. Bridgham, medical attendance,	31 00	
		$85 42

Assistance to Mary O'Brien.

Paid orders on Treasurer, ...	$24 00	
Dr. C. B. Bridgham, medical attendance,	5 00	
Dr. O. H. Howe, " "	6 00	
Tower, Bro. & Co., coal, . . .	2 50	
		$37 50

Assistance to E. H. Taylor.

Paid Dr. O. H. Howe, medical attendance, .	$12 00	
Tower, Bro. & Co., wood and coal, .	9 75	
		$21 75

Assistance to Mary E. Martin and child.

Paid orders on Treasurer, ...	$60 00	
F. W. Browne, medicine, . . .	1 70	
Dr. O. H. Howe, medical attendance, .	2 00	
Dr. C. B. Bridgham, " " .	24 00	
		$87 70

Assistance to Joseph E. Smith, wife and three children.

Paid L. W. Bates, rent,	$56 58	
Elmer E. Bates, groceries,	133 50	
Herbert L. Brown, "	36 72	
F. W. Browne, medicine,	161 20	
Dr. C. B. Bridgham, medical attendance,	295 00	
Dr. O. H. Howe, " "	16 00	
Wm. F. Thayer & Son, meats,	41 97	
Philander Bates, boots and shoes,	6 70	
Zacheus Rich, services,	2 00	
Tower, Bro. & Co., wood and coal,	33 06	
		$782 73

Assistance to Mrs. Morris, Mrs. Burbank and child.

Paid L. W. Bates, rent,	$56 66	
H. L. Brown, groceries,	165 71	
Dr. O. H. Howe, medical attendance,	42 50	
S. E. Pratt, milk,	26 97	
Order on Treasurer,	15 00	
Tower, Bro. & Co., coal and wood,	22 13	
Bourne & Nickerson, meats,	28 50	
		$357 47

Assistance to Wm. F. Harris, wife and five children.

Paid City of Lowell,	$84 00	
Orders on Treasurer,	102 00	
		$186 00

Assistance to Lois A. Ney and two children.

Paid H. L. Brown, groceries,	$32 01	
P. Bates, boots,	3 30	
Cohasset Clothing Co., clothing,	10 50	
Thomas W. Whitcomb, rent,	21 75	
Town of Weymouth, rent,	18 00	
		$85 56

Assistance to J. M. Gracia, wife and two children.

Paid H. L. Brown, groceries,	39 00	
E. E. Bates, milk,	8 75	
Dr. O. H. Howe, medical attendance,	3 00	
		$50 75

Assistance to John Tyrer and wife.

Paid Gross & Nichols, groceries,	$125 65	
Dr. C. B. Bridgham, med. att.,	28 00	
" " " " Mrs. Silva,	20 00	
		$173 65

Assistance to Henry L. Bates, wife and four children.

Paid R. W. Killam, groceries,	$60 90	
Town of Norwell, supplies,	52 33	
		$113 23

Assistance to George Powers.

Paid Town of Middleboro, supplies,	$56 58

Assistance to Wm. H. Litchfield, wife and four children.

Paid Seaverns & Spear, groceries,	$22 50	
D. J. Bates & Co., "	36 24	
Tower, Bro. & Co., coal,	12 50	
		$71 24

Assistance to Joseph J. Silva, 2d, wife and two children.

Paid E. E. Bates, groceries,	$20 00	
Dr. O. H. Howe, medical attendance,	1 00	
		$21 00

Assistance to Susan Meeker.

Paid H. L. Brown, groceries,	$58 69	
Spencer H. Stoughton, stove,	2 50	
Lincoln Bros., coal,	8 25	
Tower, Bro. & Co., coal,	5 00	
		$74 44

Assistance to Isaac H. Tower.

Paid P. Bates, boots and shoes, ...		$10 65

Assistance to Delia Rooney.

Paid B. S. Thompson, rent, . . .	$78 00	
P. Bates, boots and rubbers, . .	10 62	
		$88 62

Assistance to William Hayden and wife.

Paid Dr. C. B. Bridgham, medical attendance, .		$17 00

Assistance to Southward Pratt.

Paid B. S. Thompson, rent, ...		$48 00

Assistance to Mrs. Oliver Henderson and four children.

Paid City of Newburyport, supplies, . . .		$163 70

Assistance to Geo. L. Litchfield, wife and child.

Paid C. F. Nichols, groceries, ...		$27 17

Assistance to Charles H. Litchfield.

Paid Dr. J. B. Harvey, medical attendance,	$5 00	
Dr. O. H. Howe, " "	9 00	
		$14 00
Paid City of Boston, for Mary A. Kent, .	$29 70	
" " " Eunice Sterling, .	60 00	
" " " John E. Kinsley, .	28 00	
		$117 70
Paid J. Q. A. Lothrop, services and expenses,	$63 00	
Philander Bates, " " .	30 00	
Caleb F. Nichols, " "	30 00	
		$123 00

AMOUNT TO BE REIMBURSED TO THE TOWN.

Town of Hingham,	$58 50	
Town of Scituate,	21 75	
City of Gloucester,	87 70	
State of Massachusetts, (estimated),	100 00	
City of Boston,	50 75	
John E. Kinsley,	28 00	
James Dady,	169 46	
Estate of Henry Ainslie,	48 00	
		$564 16
Amount paid Almshouse account,	$2,508 12	
" " Outside relief,	4,005 53	
		$6,513 65
Amount of credit, Almshouse,	$306 39	
Amount of credit, Outside,	564 16	
		$870 55
Amount of expense of Almshouse and Outside Relief,		$5,643 10

Respectfully submitted,

J. Q. A. LOTHROP,
PHILANDER BATES,
CALEB F. NICHOLS.
Overseers of the Poor of Cohasset.

Amount estimated by the Selectmen as required to meet the expenses of the Town for the ensuing year:

For Support of Schools as per request of School Committee,	$9,700 00
Support and Relief of Poor,	5,000 00
Highways,	6,000 00
Water Co.,	2,000 00
Town Officers,	1,300 00
Removing Snow,	300 00
Watering Streets,	1,000 00
Printing,	300 00
Fire Deparment,	500 00
Public Library,	400 00
G. A. R. Post,	100 00
Interest,	600 00
Incidental,	600 00
Military Aid,	300 00
Town Hall,	300 00
Straits Pond,	100 00
Payment of Debt,	3,000 00
	$31,500 00

The amount to be raised by taxation, may be determined at the Annual Meeting.

Table of Aggregates.

Valuation of Real Estate, 1888,	$2,056,613
Valuation of Personal Estate, 1888,	1,388,262
	$3,444,875
Valuation of Real Estate, 1889,	$2,143,679
Valuation of Personal Estate, 1889,	1,436,559
	$3,580,238
Increase of Real Estate, 1889,	$87,066
Increase of Personal Estate, 1889,	48,297
Total increase,	$135,363

Number of Polls, 1889,	615
State Tax, 1889,	$4,800 00
County Tax, 1889,	3,039 90
Town Grant, 1889,	8,500 00
Overlayings, 1889,	267 86
Total Tax, 1889,	$16,607 76
Rate per cent. on $1,000,	$4 30
Number of Dwellings, 1889,	595
" Acres taxed, "	5,972¾
" Persons assessed, 1889,	985
" " " on property,	714
" " " poll tax only,	271
" Horses,	314
" Cows,	300
" Sheep,	10
" Neat Cattle,	93
" Swine,	29

List of Jurymen

Drawn During the Year Ending December 31st, 1889.

February,	Horatio G. Pratt,	Supreme J. Court.
March 20,	Caleb F. Nichols,	Grand Juror.
March 25,	George O. Higgins,	Superior Court.
April 22,	Winthrop Knight,	" "
August 23,	Philander Bates,	Grand Juror U. S. Court.
" "	Elisha Lincoln,	" " " "
" "	Charles H. Williard,	" "
" "	Robert B. Pratt,	" "
" "	Levi L. Worrick,	" "
August 27,	Samuel G. James,	Superior Court.
September, 28,	Oliver H. Bates,	" "
November 26,	Frank P. Appleton,	" "
December 26,	Louis N. Lincoln,	" "

List of Jurors

To be revised and accepted by the Town, at the Annual Meeting, to be held March 3rd, 1890.

Abraham J. Antone,
Elmer E. Bates,
Edwin Bates,
Jacob F. Bates,
Samuel P. Bates,
Isaac W. Beal,
Alden Beal,
Herbert O. Beal,
John Bryant,
Charles F. Bennett,
John M. Damon,
Thomas W. Doyle,
Edward E. Ellms,
Alson S. Richardson,
Andrew J. Souther,
Franklin Stoddard,
Israel C. Vinal,
Otis S. Wilbur,
Stephen D. Farrar,
Warren S. Gammons,
Samuel L. Groce,
Charles Harris,
George W. Kimball,
Amos A. Lawrence,
Joseph B. Lincoln,
Levi Lincoln,
J. Loring Litchfield,
Caleb Nichols,
Levi L. Nichols,
James Pettee,
Aaron Pratt,
John L. Pratt,
Morgan B. Stetson.
Abraham H. Tower,
Edward W. Whicher,
Samuel L. Williams.

Dr. Town of Cohasset in Account with

1889-1890.

To paid Orders of Selectmen drawn to date, including State Military and Town Aid,	$22,985 03
Orders for School Teaching, Fuel, and repairs of School-houses,	9,700 00
Income of Mass. School Fund, Ripley Fund, and Dog License money, on School account,	363 80
Assesssors' Orders for Abatement of Taxes,	364 07
State Treasurer's receipt for one-fourth of License Fees,	25
State of Massachusetts, Tax for 1889,	4,800 00
County of Norfolk, Tax for 1889,	3,039 90
W. W. Clapp, Funded Note due, 1889,	1,000 00
Cohasset Savings Bank, Funded Note, due 1889,	1,000 00
" " " "Hall" " " 1889,	1,000 00
" " " bal. Demand Note of 1888,	2,000 00
" " " Money hired in 1889, in anticipation of Taxes,	7,500 00
Interest on Town's Notes, 1889,	699 33
	$54,452 38
Balance in Treasury, to new account,	4,876 54
	$59,328 92

COHASSET, January, 1890

Abraham H. Tower, Treasurer. Cr.

1889-1890.

By balance in Treasury, from former account,	$2,487 35
Received of Commonwealth of Massachusetts, viz.:	
Corporation Tax for 1888, additional,	14,897 21
Corporation Tax for 1889,	10,193 45
National Bank Tax for 1889,	5,421 46
State Aid for 1889,	814 00
State Pauper for 1889,	87 83
Income Mass. School Fund, 1888,	11 87
County of Norfolk, Dog Licenses, 1888,	306 43
City of Boston, Overseers of the Poor,	81 75
City of Gloucester, balance for 1888,	37 00
Town of Hingham, support M. Gardner, 1889,	58 50
James Dady, for support of insane wife, 1887,	181 86
H. P. Snow, Admin., Deposit, Ainslie Estate,	48 00
Cohasset Mut. Fire Ins. Co., office rent, 1889,	60 00
Louis N. Lincoln, income Town Hall, 1889,	21 00
Lincoln, Lothrop and Pratt, Auctioneer's Licenses,	6 00
Frank W. Browne, Sixth Class License,	1 00
Manual Sylva, 2d, Interest on Note, 1889,	35 70
Interest on Bank Deposits and other sources,	66 87
Interest and Fees on delinquent Taxes,	87 78
Interest of Ripley Fund, 1889,	40 40
A. H. Tower, Trustee, for support of J. J. Lothrop at Almshouse, 1889,	180 00
Of sundry persons, Almshouse sales, 1889,	90 69
Cohasset Savings Bank, hired money, 1889,	7,500 00
Amount of Tax List for 1889,	16,612 77
	$59,328 92

ABRAHAM H. TOWER, *Treasurer.*

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

The Librarian of the Cohasset Free Public Library respectfully submits her Annual Report.

With one exception, the Library opened every library day during the year.

In that time the number of books issued was 8430; the largest delivery being on December 28, of 136 books, and the smallest on August 21, of 32 books.

There are registered to date 1358 borrowers.

Number of books added the past year: By donation, 80 volumes; by purchase, 38 vols.; by binding, 21 vols. Entire number of volumes in the Library, including pamphlets, 4582.

Gifts of books have been received from Hon. Elijah A. Morse, Mr. Waldo Higginson, Mr. N. D. Silsbee, Mrs. Henry Nicoll, Miss B. Hincks, The Bostonian Society, State and Government.

Classification of reading the past year:

History and Biography,	350
Travels and Geography,	347
Science and Art,	52
Literature and Poetry,	145
Magazines,	1488
Fiction,	5961
Religion,	38
Agriculture,	49
	8430

SARAH B. COLLIER, *Librarian.*

COHASSET, Jan., 1890.

DR. COHASSET FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY in Account with A. H. TOWER, Treasurer. CR

1889–1890.		1889–90.	
To paid Cohasset Cottager, printing labels,	$7 00	By balance unexpended in 1888,	$384 13
B. A. Foster & Co., printing slips,	6 00	Received from fines,	21 37
Beal's Express, bill 1889,	5 15	" from sale of cards,	5 35
Allen C. Bates, bill 1889,	4 75	" from sale of catalogues,	7 60
E. F. Souther, repairs, screens,	50	" from out of town borrowers,	1 00
Premium insurance, renewal 3 years,	40 00	" from books destroyed, replaced,	2 51
J. H Pray, Sons & Co., matting,	56 84	" from Levi Tower, Jr., contribution,	5 00
Houghton, Mifflin & Co., book subscription,	16 50	" Town Appropriation, 1889,	400 00
Estes & Lauriat, books and magazines,	135 68		$826 96
Geo. H. Ellis, printing catalogues,	221 90	Balance due Treasurer,	22 77
Sarah B. Collier, preparing do.	200 00		
do. Librarian's salary,	150 00		
do. Expenditures for library,	5 41		
	$849 73		$849 73

A. H. TOWER, *Treasurer.*

COHASSET, January, 1890.

ARTICLES TO BE INSERTED IN THE WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING.

MARCH 3RD, 1890.

ART. 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To act upon the Reports of the Librarian and Treasurer of the Public Library, Selectmen, Overseers of Poor, Treasurer, Treasurer of School Committee, and School Committee.

ART. 3. To choose all Town Officers required by law and Town By-Laws.

ART. 4. What sums of money will the Town raise and appropriate for the Payment of Debt, Repairs of Highways, Relief of Poor, Support of Schools, Public Library, Watering Streets, Decorating Soldiers' and Sailors' Graves, and all other necessary charges and expenses for the current year.

ART. 5. Will the Town authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to hire money in anticipation of Taxes.

ART. 6. In what manner will the Town collect the Taxes the current year, and at what time shall they be paid into the Treasury.

ART. 7. To hear the Report of the Selectmen on Guideboards and act thereon.

ART. 8. Will the Town accept the list of Jurors as prepared and posted by the Selectmen.

ART. 9. Will the Town cause the Financial Report, to be printed and distributed in the month of February, 1891.

ART. 10. To hear and act upon the Report of any Committee.

ART. 11. What compensation will the Town allow the Collector of Taxes, for the current year.

ART. 12. Shall Licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors, be granted in the Town the current year, in accordance with Chap. 100, Sec. 5 of Public Statutes.

ART. 13. Will the Town authorize the School Committee to employ a Superintendent of Schools for the ensuing year.

ART. 14. What Salary will the Town pay the Superintendent of Streets.

ART. 15. Will the Town authorize the Selectmen to improve the Insurance office in the building at the Cove, or act thereon.

ART. 16. Will the Town adopt the Truant School established by the County of Norfolk, as a place of detention for truants, or act thereon.

ART. 17. Will the Town authorize the Trustees of the Cohasset Free Public Library, to have it incorporated under that name.

ART. 18. What sum of money will the Town raise and appropriate for the improvement of the Common, the current year, and how shall it be expended.

ART. 19. Will the Town authorize the School Committee to transport the South Grammar School scholars to the centre of the Town, or act on anything relating thereto.

ART. 20. Will the Town accept the Report of the Selectmen on the laying out of the road from Jerusalem Road to Beach Street.

ART. 21. Will the Town authorize the Treasurer, with approval of the Selectmen, to hire money for the purpose of building the new road, if accepted, or act thereon.

ART. 22. Will the town build a ventilator, and place a fire alarm bell on the Independence engine house, or act thereon.

ART. 23. Will the town raise and appropriate a sum of money to raise the grade of the road over the meadow, below Steep Rocks, so the tide will not overflow it, and build suitable railing on both sides.

ART. 24. What sum of money will the town raise and appropriate for the purpose of building a hose tower, and placing a bell on the same, on the Hose building at the Harbor.

ART. 25. Will the town cause a sidewalk to be built on the west side of South Main street, between James Lane and Spring street.

ART. 26. What action will the town take to prevent persons not residents of the town from fishing in Great Pond.

LIST OF

MARRIAGES, BIRTHS AND DEATHS,

Registered in Cohasset, during the Year 1889.

PREPARED BY THE TOWN CLERK.

MARRIAGES.

Date.	NAMES.	Residence.	Where and by whom Married.
1889.			
Jan. 8	David L. Ripley Martha B. Beal	Cohasset Hingham	Married at Hingham by Rev. Wm. I. Nichols.
April 30	Thomas Reedy Ellen Downey	Cohasset Boston	Married at Boston by Rev. Richard J. Barry.
May 23	Thomas Willcutt Mary S. Holmes	Cohasset Sturbridge	Married at Newton Highlands by Rev. Geo. G. Phipps.
June 30	Harry B. Brown Nettie G. Bogues	Boston Cohasset	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.
July 22	Thomas L. Gracia Mary E. Martin	Cohasset "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Ignatius P. Egan.
" 22	Frank F. Antoine Katie Delacey	Cohasset "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.
" 27	Carl A. Lundin Ida Hultman	Cohasset Campello	Married at Brockton by Rev. Augustus Pohl.
Aug. 4	Ira Bates Eglantine Brown	Scituate "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.
" 31	Joseph H. Vargus Mary Silvia	Scituate "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Nelson M. Bailey.
Sept. 21	Dummer Sewall Caroline Bates	Weymouth Scituate	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.
" 29	Edward A. Jacobs Ella A. Osborn	Norwell Scituate	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.
Oct. 1	John Hughes Johanna Hayes	Cohasset Boston	Married at Boston by Rev. John J Downey.
" 8	Joseph A. Silvia Katie A. H. R. Watt	Cohasset "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. John W. Savage.
" 10	Caleb Lothrop M. Nellie Gross	Cohasset "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.
" 10	Sidney L. Beal Martha J. Cruikshank	Cohasset "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Denison L. Brown.
" 17	Charles W. Gammons Edith J. Tower	Cohasset "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.
" 24	Cyrus W. Bates Lena M. Graves	Cohasset Etna, Me	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.
" 27	George A. Litchfield Edith E. Newcomb	Scituate "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Nelson M. Bailey.
Nov. 14	William Dorr Carrie E. Lee	Weymouth Scituate	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.
" 16	Charles A. Bushnell Eva B. Sweetzer	Cohasset "	Married in Scituate by Rev. George Procter.
" 26	Oliver H. Howe Martha D. Paul	Cohasset Dedham	Married at Dedham by Rev. Joseph B. Seabury.
Dec. 5	Alexander R. Boles Emily N. Stewart	Arlington Cohasset	Married at Dedham by Rev. J. F. Packard.
" 22	Edwin H. Litchfield Cora F. Damon	Norwell Scituate	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.

Twenty-three Marriages were returned for record during the year 1889, as per list above.

BIRTHS. — 1889.

Date.	NAME OF CHILD.	Parents' Names.	Mother's M. N.	Place of Birth.
an. 12	Chesbrook Howe Stoughton ...	Spencer H. and Mary C....	Pratt	Beechwood St.
" 28	Louise Ignatius Antoine.....	—— Mary L.....	Antoine....	Stockbridge St.
eb. 3	Ziba Thaxter Lapham.....	Quimby T. and Elizabeth C.	Small.....	Summer St.
lar. 3	Kate Alberta Knight.....	Winthrop and Mary L.....	Beal.....	Hull St
" 5	Joseph L. Munnies.....	George F. and Mary A.....	Cassidy....	Beechwood St.
" 16	Richard Patrick Roche.....	John, Jr. and Mary H.....	Murphy ...	No. Main St.
" 16	Fannie Evaline James.....	Ezekiel L. and Nellie G.....	Bates.....	King St.
" 17	Charles Edward Thayer.....	Samuel N. and Margaret L.	Cusick.....	No. Main St.
" 21	Ralph Stanley Pratt.....	John J. A. and Mary F.....	Antoine....	Beechwood St.
" 25	Minnie Estella Taylor.....	George and Harriet.....	Tower.....	So. Main St.
pr. 2	Edwin Joseph Butman.....	Joseph and Mary A.....	Stewart ...	Highland Ave.
" 21	Philip Lothrop Towle.....	E. Herbert and Sarah C....	Nichols....	Spring St.
" 26	John James Thompson.....	John H and Maria.....	Kelly	Elm St.
lay 18	Oscar Francis Bandura.....	Joseph F. and Mary L.....	Johnson...	Margin St.
" 21	Ralph M. Bates.....	Edwin W. and Emma J.....	Burbank...	Beechwood St.
une 2	Maude Douglas Tilden.....	William T. and Flora L....	Brown.....	So. Main St.
" 4	Hattie Mabel Frates.....	Frank L. and Hattie.....	Friese.....	Beechwood St.
" 14	Nellie Edith Brown.....	Herbert L. and Flora E.....	Wood.....	Beechwood St.
" 15	Ellen Gannett Jackson.....	George C. and Minea E.....	Andrews ..	So Main St.
" 19	Harriet Elizabeth Ainslie.....	George W. and Belinda J...	Arnold	Beechwood St.
" 26	Catherine Josephine Donovan.	Daniel and Mary	McCarty...	Spring St.
uly 4	Georgianna Elizabeth Antoine.	George E. and Mary E.....	Smith	Stockbridge St.
" 12	John N. Stewart.....	John N and Georgianna...	Carroll	Jerusalem Rd.
" 15	Joseph Oliver.....	Manuel and Mary A.....	Candada ..	Margin St.
" 16	Catharine Lyons.....	Patrick J. and Margaret E.	Henry.	No. Main St.
" 23	Winsor Marrett Tyler Valine..	Manuel P. and Sarah E.....	Antoine....	Stockbridge St.
ug. 13	Margaret Sophronia Nichols..	Edward and Ella G.....	Tower	Ripley Road.
" 18	Annie May Vickery.....	Pearl and Carrie A.....	Damon	So. Main St.
ept. 4	Marion Gannett Litchfield.....	George A. and Mary C.....	Pratt.....	Snow Place.
ct. 4	Roy Edward Litchfield.....	Edward H. and Anna R....	McGough..	Beechwood St.
" 13	Jessie McKensie..... ...	John and Annie.....	Veitch.....	So. Main St.
" 18	Margaret Gardner.....	Guy H. and Cora.....	Cutler.....	Summer St.
" 19	Arthur Otis Wood.....	Charles B. and Clara E.....	Higgins ..	Beechwood St.
ov. 10	George Henry Mealy.....	George W. and Charlotte O.	Snow.....	Beechwood St.
" 15	Rose Ellen Mattie.....	Thomas and Maggie.....	Delorey. ..	Margin St.
" 30	Walter Almano Smith.....	John and Lucy E.....	Frates.....	Elm St.
ec. 8	Oliver Chester James.....	Samuel G. and Elizabeth A.	Burbank...	King St.
" 9	Gladys Martha Wood.....	Cyrus W. and Martha F....	Curtis	Beechwood St.
" 31	Arthur Eugene Enos.	Joseph S. and Eliza.....	Antoine....	Spring St.

Of the thirty-nine children born in Cohasset in 1889, twenty were males and nineteen females, as per list above, with parentage as follows:

American Father and American Mother, . .	25
American Father and Foreign Mother, . .	3
Foreign Father and American Mother, . .	4
Foreign Father and Foreign Mother, . .	7

The parents of any child born in Cohasset during the year 1889, or during previous years, who may from the above list, or may have from previous lists, noticed the omission of the name of their child, will confer a favor to the town clerk by immediately notifying him of such.

DEATHS—1889.

Date.	NAMES.	Age. Y.	M.	D.	Cause of Death.	Place of Death.
Jan. 3	Aquila R. Treat	59	3	16	Cancer of Stomach	Elm St.
" 19	Infant of A. R. Keene and wife	..	..	..	Stillborn	Beach St.
" 26	Amy L. (Bates) Jacobs	20	6	..	Gastritis	Beechwood St.
" 27	Infant of Frank Beeler and wife	..	..	..	Stillborn	Beechwood St.
Feb. 2	George W. Cousens	61	3	..	Paralysis	Summer St.
" 7	[1]Joseph Munnies	63	4	5	Bright's Disease	Beechwood St.
" 7	[1]Frances George	70	..	..	Old Age	Almshouse.
" 25	Infant of J. W. Holland and wife	..	..	..	Stillborn	Border St.
" 28	[2]Bridget (Allen) Holland.	30	1	22	Peritonitis	Border St.
" 28	David Vinal	87	9	..	Old Age	Almshouse.
March 5	Mary J. (Sloan) Litchfield	50	9	16	Chrn. Bron. Cat'rh	Beechwood St.
" 6	[1]Joseph L. Munnies	..	..	1	Asthenia	Beechwood St.
" 10	[3]Lucy (Sylvester) Pride	90	2	3	Paralysis	South Main St.
" 12	[1]Antoine J. Lawrence	70	8	..	Bronchitis	Spring St
" 23	Myra (Vinal) Gardner	85	8	..	Old Age	Highland Av.
April 14	William P. Nickerson	26	1	.	Acute Phthisis	South Main St.
" 16	[1]Bridget (Kelley) Mulcahy	43	..	..	Bright s Disease	Pleasant St.
" 28	[2]Elizabeth (Haley) Ainslie	50	..	..	Pneumonia	Margin St.
May 17	James Wilson	74	11	..	Debility	Elm St.
" 17	Infant of S. N. Thayer and wife	..	..	..	Stillborn	North Main St.
June 5	[4]Edward H. Field	57	..	2	Lead Poisoning	North Main St.
" 13	[2]George T. Morey	53	5	..	Paralysis	Pleasant St.
July 16	Ernest Sargent	1	..	16	Membran's Croup	Beechwood St.
" 24	[1]Isabel Fereira	1	3	2	Cholera Infantum	Margin St.
" 30	Ralph M. Bates	..	2	9	Inflam'y Diarrhœa	Beechwood St.
Aug. 7	Lewis L. Wheelwright	63	11	..	Epileptic Convul's	Beechwood St.
" 12	[5]Amity B. (Hastings) Davis	73	10	..	Paralysis Agitaus.	Jerusalem Rd.
" 14	Margaret S. Nichols	..	..	1	Heart Failure	Ripley Rd.
" 14	Sarah L. (Pratt) Gould	69	6	12	Heart Failure	Beechwood St.
" 16	[2]Joseph M. Reedy	18	9	..	Pul. Phthisis	North Main St.
" 17	Ralph Stanley Pratt	..	5	..	Dysentery	Beechwood St.
" 19	[1]Winsor M. T. Valine	..	1	..	– –	Stockbridge St.
" 22	[1]Stella L. Antoine	..	10	..	Consumption	Beechwood St.
" 22	[6]Catharine (Tierney) Rafferty	74	..	..	Heart Disease	South Main St.
" 26	Infant of Edward Mealy and wife	..	..	..	Stillborn	South Main St.
Sept. 2	Charles C. Wood	1	3	..	Spinal Meningitis	Beechwood St.
" 3	[2]Susan A. (Keneally) Clark	34	10	14	Pul. Phthisis	Jerusalem Rd.
" 10	M. Anna (Rich) Lawrence	44	9	14	Cancer	Highland Av.
" 13	Bessie E Wheelwright	1	..	..	Diarrhœa	Beechwood St.
Oct. 1	[7]Amos C. Locke	81	..	..	Dropsy	King St.
" 13	[8]William Cronican	33	2	11	Disease of Brain	Pleasant St.
" 21	Mary Lincoln	94	10	5	Old Age	North Main St.
Nov. 4	Elizabeth S. Litchfield	73	..	..	Chr'c Rheumatism	Margin St.
" 11	Mary (Joseph) Smith	34	..	7	Phth's Pulmonalis	Beechwood St.
" 19	[2]Stephen J. Reilly	6	6	16	Pericarditis	Highland Av.
Dec. 29	George L. Nickerson	90	7	11	Pneumonia	South Main St.

1. Buried at Scituate.
2. " " Hingham.
3. " " Westbrook, Me.
4. " " Franklin.
5. Buried at Mt. Auburn.
6. " " Boston.
7. " " Arlington.
8. " " Quincy.

There were forty-six deaths in the town during the year 1889, as per list above, twenty-four males and twenty-two females. Five were stillbirths, ten under five years, one between 5 and 10 years, one between 10 and 20 years, two between 20 and 30 years, four between 30 and 40 years, two between 40 and 50 years, five between 50 and 60 years, four between 60 and 70 years, six between 70 and 80 years, three between 80 and 90 years, and three over 90 years of age; their average age being about 38 years, 11 months, 22 days.

The following is a list of those persons who have died in other places during the year 1889, but whose bodies were brought to Cohasset for burial.

DEATHS. — 1889.

Date.	NAMES.	Age.			Cause of Death.	Place of Death.
		Y.	M.	D.		
Jan. 3	Sophronia P. (Oakes) Marsh	49	..	..	Consumption	Medford.
Feb. 21	William Eddy	37	10	..	Endecarditis	Marblehead.
March 5	James S. Gaylord	58	8	..	Epileptic Convul.	Boston.
" 17	Delia A. Morse	60	2	3	Nephritis	Boston.
" 24	William Wentworth	70	10	15	Bright's Disease	Scituate.
April 3	Daniel W. Reedy	25	..	.	Consumption	Denver, Col.
" 12	Mary B. Burleigh	74	2	..	Apoplexy	Boston.
July 1	Sarah B. Hobart	72	2	26	Cancer of Liver	Boston.
Aug. 17	Lot Willcutt	82	..	..	Senile Debility	Taunton.
" 30	Edna S. Pratt	34	..	..	Burn	Boston.
Oct. 14	Maria W. Litchfield	48	..	..	Malignant Tumor.	Boston.
Nov. 15	Florence H. Lincoln	13	8	..	Meningitis	Springfield.

N. B. TOWER, *Town Clerk.*

Town of Cohasset in Account with the School Committee.

1889. *Dr.*

TEACHING.

High School,	Arthur Stanley,	$1,200 00	
	Miss D. S. Lothrop,	600 00	
North School,	" Martha P. Bates,	380 00	
	" Susie L. Stoddard,	360 00	
Centre School,	" Annie A. Souther,	380 00	
	" Sarah E. Fox,	360 00	
South School,	" R. B. Sampson,	380 00	
	" Myra L. Beal,	360 00	
Harbor School,	" Priscilla L. Collier,	360 00	
Elm St. School	" Lizzie C. Bates,	380 00	
Beechwood School,	L. Webster Bates,	450 00	
	Miss Lizzie J. Packard,	144 00	
	" Harriet J. Nichols,	216 00	
King St. School,	" Mary L. Corey,	228 00	
	" Agnes M. Ward,	152 00	
Jerusalem School,	" Annie Fox,	380 00	
			$6,330 00

JANITORS.

High School,	Herbert P. Browne,	$30 00	
	Walter I. Browne,	15 00	
	Rufus Bates,	8 00	
	J. E. Francis,	1 75	
North School,	Levi Tower,	33 40	
Centre School.	Solomon J. Hayden,	3 50	
	Paul and Samuel Bates,	29 90	
South School,	Luther J. Bates,	19 00	
	Henry W. Ripley,	14 40	
Harbor School,	William Hayden,	4 55	
	John E. Francis,	13 50	
Beechwood Sch'l,	A. Bradford Litchfield,	33 40	
King St. School,	Herman S. James,	10 05	
	Mary James,	8 00	
Jerusalem Sch'l,	Frank Lean,	1 40	
	Teacher,	16 65	
			$242 50

FUEL.

High School,	Lincoln Bros., coal,	$91	98	
	" " wood,	12	25	
North School,	Lincoln Bros., coal,	39	00	
	" " wood,	8	50	
Centre School,	Lincoln Bros., coal,	42	83	
	" " wood,	8	80	
South School,	Lincoln Bros., coal,	48	34	
	" " wood,	8	50	
Harbor School,	Lincoln Bros., coal,	12	50	
	" " wood,	4	25	
Beechwood Sch'l,	Lincoln Bros., coal,	40	50	
	" " wood,	8	50	
King St. School,	Lincoln Bros., coal,	13	30	
	" " wood,	4	25	
Jerusalem School,	Lincoln Bros., wood,	24	69	
				$367 89

CLEANING.

High School,	S. J. Hayden, 2 rooms,	$9	00	
	" " cellar,	10	00	
	" " 4 vaults,	6	00	
North School,	S. J. Hayden, 2 rooms,	7	50	
	" " 2 vaults,	3	00	
	Levi Tower, cellar,	2	00	
Centre School,	S. J. Hayden, 2 rooms,	7	50	
	" " 2 vaults,	2	50	
South School,	John E. Francis, 2 rooms,	10	68	
	S. J. Hayden, 2 vaults,	2	50	
	" " extra work,	1	75	
Harbor School,	Mrs. Ann Thomas, room,	8	00	
	S. J. Hayden, vault,	1	75	
Beechwood Sch'l,	A. Bradford Litchfield,	10	00	
	J. W. Bates, 2d, 2 vaults,	3	00	
King St. School,	Mrs. Sarah McCormick,	5	00	
	S. J. Hayden, 2 vaults,	2	00	
Jerusalem School,	S. J. Hayden, room,	5	50	
	" " 2 vaults,	3	50	
Elm St. School,	S. J. Hayden, vaults,	2	50	
				$103 68

REPAIRS, SUPPLIES, ETC.

High School,	(Laboratory), D. W. Pratt, painting, . . .	$6 28	
	(Laboratory), Allen C. Bates, plumbing, . . .	36 81	
	(Laboratory), Cabot Bros., bureau, . . .	3 50	
	(Laboratory), H. O. Beale, carpentering, . .	35 33	
	(Laboratory), Educational Supply Co., chemicals and apparatus, . . .	51 29	
	C. F. Tilden, staples, .	25	
	Gross & Nichols, supplies,	52	
	Allen C. Bates, supplies,	25 98	
	H. O. Beale, carpentering,	2 34	
	D. W. Pratt, painting, .	1 00	
	Z. C. Small, painting, .	7 35	
	Curtain, . . .	90	
			$171 55
North School,	H. O. Beale, carpentering,	9 15	
	" curtains, .	8 00	
	Allen C. Bates, plumbing and supplies, . . .	46 70	
	Cohasset Water Co., putting in service, . . .	16 59	
	Bela Stoddard, repairs, .	9 65	
	Z. C. Small, setting glass,	40	
	W. H. H. Hancock, repairing clock, . . .	75	
	C. A. Gross, supplies, .	44	
	Woman, cleaning closet,	15	
			$91 83
Centre School,	D. W. Pratt, setting glass,	95	
	Allen C. Bates, supplies,	11 82	
	Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber and supplies, . .	2 14	
	Chas. F. Tilden, iron work on fence, . . .	1 65	

Centre School, (*Continued.*)	C. A. Gross & Co., supplies,	$1 05	
	Geo. W. Souther, repairing, chair,	1 00	
	H. O. Beale, carpentering,	2 50	
	Bela Stoddard, repairs on chimney,	5 20	
	John J. Lincoln, repairs,	75	
			$27 06
South School,	D. W. Pratt, setting glass,	1 30	
	C. F. Tilden, iron-work on fence,	3 15	
	Allen C. Bates, supplies,	17 20	
	Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber and supplies,	4 26	
	H. O. Beale, carpentering,	1 60	
	John J. Lincoln, carpentering,	9 00	
	A. E. Tilden, grading,	17 42	
			$53 93
Harbor School,	Bela Stoddard, masoning,	7 25	
	John J. Lincoln, carpentering,	3 90	
	Z. C. Small, painting,	2 75	
	W. H. H. Hancock, repairing clock,	75	
	Allen C. Bates, plumbing and supplies,	60 30	
	H. O. Beale, carpentering,	12 38	
	Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber and supplies,	5 77	
	Cohasset Water Co., putting in service,	19 17	
	W. A. W. Tilden, stand for sharpener,	2 00	
			$114 27
Beechwood Sch'l,	G. H. Briggs, building vaults,	10 50	
	J. W. Bates, 2d, labor on vaults,	1 75	
	Allen C. Bates, stoves & pipes,	86 07	
	" supplies,	2 97	
	A. B. Litchfield, repairs,	5 20	
	Mrs. C. M. Wood, use of well,	2 00	
	John J. A. Pratt, repairs,	2 00	
	Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber,	2 35	
			$112 84

King St. School,	Allen C. Bates, supplies,	7 40	
	C. A. Gross, supplies, .	20	
	H. O. Beale, carpentering,	9 30	
	Bela Stoddard, repairs to underpining, . .	6 25	
			$23 15
Jerusalem School,	Allen C. Bates, supplies,	4 60	
	H. O. Beale, carpentering,	22 31	
	Z. C. Small, painting, .	2 00	
			$28 91
Elm St. School,	Allen C. Bates, supplies,	71	71
			$624 25

BOOKS AND STATIONERY.

A. S. Barnes & Co., ...	$48 62	
Harper & Bros., ...	125 76	
H. Hume, Agent, ...	9 43	
Ginn & Co., ...	82 35	
D. C. Heath & Co., ...	22 42	
Leach, Shewell & Sanborn, . . .	12 00	
F. M. Ambrose, ...	11 45	
E. O. Vaile, ...	14 40	
Geo. S. Perry, stationery, ...	126 14	
Geo. F. King & Merrill, stationery, . .	52 49	
The Educational Supply Co., stationery, .	7 22	
C. H. Kilborn, stationery, ...	22 50	
Sundry bills for books and stationery, .	73 36	
		$608 14

INSTRUCTOR IN SINGING.

A. E. Bradford, ...	$300 00	
		$300 00

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

Louis P. Nash, April 1 to Jan 1, . .	$420 00	
		$420 00

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE.

Mrs. J. W. Stoddard, rent, use of carpet, etc.,	$39 00	
G. W. Hall & Co., furniture, . . .	35 75	
Mrs. J. W. Stoddard, stove, . . .	4 00	
Allen C. Bates, supplies, ...	10 21	
Tower, Bro. & Co., supplies, bookcase, etc.,	16 88	
J. W. Brennock, repairs, ...	1 25	
John J. Lincoln, carpentering, . . .	1 80	
		$108 89

MISCELLANEOUS.

Old Colony R. R., Nantasket scholars to High School, ...	$40 88	
A. E. Tilden, Beechwood scholars to High School, ...	333 56	
A. E. Tilden, King St. scholars to High School, 3 months, ...	50 00	
C. F. B. Tilden, carriage hire, Supt. and committee, ...	60 15	
Assessors of Cohasset, school census, .	9 00	
Frances G. Whiston, typewriting, . .	7 00	
A. T. Bliss & Co., printing, . . .	12 25	
H. T. P. Bates, printing, ...	14 00	
Boston Bank Note and Lith. Co., diplomas,	20 00	
Alden Beal, carriage hire, school exhibition,	7 50	
Jordan, Marsh & Co., ribbon for diplomas, etc., ...	3 05	
Beal's express, ...	5 80	
D. W. Pratt, painting drawing boards, .	1 00	
W. A. W. Tilden, moulding boards, etc., .	15 55	
W. W. Wade, tuning piano, 1889, . .	5 00	
Miss F. H. Nichols, sundry supplies, . .	3 99	
John Roche, Jr., truant officer, . . .	6 00	
A. H. Prouty, " . . .	8 00	
Henry E. Brennock, " . . .	13 75	
A. Bradford Litchfield, " . . .	9 00	
Richard Good, painting signs, . . .	2 00	
Amount carried forward	$627 48	

Amount brought forward	$627 48	
Edw. E. Tower, on account of seats, Town Hall, ...	15 00	
C. A. Gross & Co., sundry supplies, . .	2 77	
Sundry bills, account of High School exhibition, ...	12 50	
E. P. Collier, services, School Committee to April 1, 1889, ...	30 00	
E. P. Collier, services, Secretary, Committee, 1889, ...	25 00	
E. P. Collier, services, Purchasing Agent to April 1, 1889, ...	15 00	
Rev. J. W. Savage, services, School Committee, to April 1, 1889, ...	30 00	
Edw. F. Ripley, services, School Committee, to April 1, 1889, ...	30 00	
Edw. F. Ripley, services, Treasurer School Committee, 1889, ...	50 00	
		$837 75

RENT.

Elm Street School, Philander Bates, . .	125 00	
		$125 00

RECAPITULATION.

Paid for Teaching, ...	$6,330 00	
" Janitors, ...	242 50	
" Fuel, ...	367 89	
" Cleaning rooms and vaults, .	103 68	
" Repairs, Supplies, etc., . .	624 25	
" Books and Stationery, . .	608 14	
" Instructor in Singing, . .	300 00	
" Superintendent of Schools, .	420 00	
" Supt.'s office, furnishing, etc., .	108 89	
" Miscellaneous, ...	837 75	
" Rent, ...	125 00	
Unexpended balance, Jan. 1, 1890, . .	27 69	
		$10,095 79

CREDIT.

Amount of School Appropriation, .	$9,700 00	
Received from State School Fund, 1888,	11 87	
Received from Dog Licenses, 1888, . .	306 43	
Interest Ripley Fund, 1888, . . .	45 50	
Received from sale of school books, . .	1 15	
By balance from last year, . . .	30 84	
		$10,095 79

EDWARD F. RIPLEY,

Treasurer School Committee.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

I have examined the several accounts of Selectmen, Treasurer, and School Committee, for the year 1889, and find as follows:

Amount of orders drawn by the Selectmen on the Treasurer, . . .		$40,889 00
Balance in the Treasury as per last Report, ...	$2,487 35	
Amount of Tax list for 1889, . .	16,612 77	
Received from sundry sources, . .	40,228 80	
		$59,328 92
Amount paid out by the Treasurer, .	$54,452 38	
Balance, in Taxes and cash, . .	4,876 54	
		$59,328 92
Balance of School Appropriation unexpended, as per last Report of School Commitee, . . .	30 84	
Cash received from Town Treasurer in 1889, ...	10,063 80	
Cash received for books sold, . .	1 15	
		$10,095 79
Amount expended as per Vouchers, .	$10,068 10	
Balance unexpended, ...	27 69	
		$10,095 79

CALEB LOTHROP, *Auditor.*

COHASSET, January 24, 1890.

CENTRAL SCHOOL BUILDING.

COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

To the Citizens of the Town of Cohasset:—

The Committee appointed by the Town at its last annual meeting to report on the subject of a Central School Building, herewith submit their report:

The Committee take it for granted at the outset that the fact of their appointment shows that the majority of the citizens of the Town desire a central school, and that, therefore, no arguments are necessary in this report as to the advantages or necessity of such a building. Such arguments have been presented to the Town in the late reports of the School Committee, and we believe form a part of the present report. It is sufficient to say that all the members of this Committee are thoroughly convinced of the necessity of such a building, and give it to the Town as their opinion, that every year the Town puts off the erection of such a building it is defrauding its school children of the benefits of an education that rightfully belongs to them, and is compelling them to receive an inferior education at the risk of their health. It only remains for this Committee to report on the location for such a school, the expense and the means of raising the money which must be expended in such an undertaking.

In the selection of a site the Committee have had in mind to secure a central location at a reasonable price, and we regret to report that we have been unable to find a lot possessing both of these advantages, although we issued advertisements for proposals to furnish such a lot.

The lot that has been most prominently before the Committee is one owned by Mr. Daniel N. Tower, situated on Ripley Road and adjoining the pumping-station lot. This is a level lot of land, containing about 55 000 feet, on which no expenditure would need to be made for grading or drainage, and seems admirably adapted to the needs of such a school in point of situation. Should this lot, or one in its near vicinity, be taken, the North school-house and lot could be sold and the proceeds be applied to the fund for the new building. This lot however is held by Mr. Tower at $3,000, which sum seems to the Committee above its actual worth, and we do not feel that we can recommend the lot to the Town on this account.

Another plan would be to take the Center School lot and expend the money which would otherwise be used in the purchase of a lot in preparing this lot for its purpose. The commanding situation of this lot would show off the new building to the best advantage, but there would be a very small play-ground for such a large number of scholars, and a very heavy outlay would be necessary to put this pile of rock into suitable condition for its purpose.

Going further south we are offered by Mr. Enos Frates his house and lot of land (formerly the Elias Bourne estate), situated on Elm street, for $2,000. This land seems somewhat springy and would probably require considerable outlay for drainage and grading, but in other respects would answer the requirements very well.

Going back of the Bourne Rocks there are perhaps three lots which could be used for this purpose, and which could probably be obtained at a low price, the principal objection to these lots being that a new and attractive building would be hidden from view, and a new street would have to be opened.

All of these sites except the first named would require the retention of the North school-house for a primary school, or the building of a small school-house in that district for a primary school.

The building which the Committee would recommend the Town to build would be one of eight rooms, which would contain the South, Elm street, Center and North Grammar schools and the Center and either the North or Harbor Primary schools according to location. Plans for such a building have been prepared and can be seen at the Post Office.

We have estimates showing that such a building would cost	$14,000
Heating and ventilation (estimate annexed — see next page,)	3,000
Furnishing	1,000
The Committee are of the opinion that a suitable lot should be obtained for . . .	2,000
Total, ...	$20,000

We would recommend that a committee be empowered to purchase a lot of land and cause substantially such a building to be erected, to be built by contract under the supervision of said committee, and that the Town Treasurer be authorized to hire money from time to time as is required to an amount not exceeding $20,000 to pay for the same.

Newcomb B. Tower, *Chairman.*
E. P. Collier, *Secretary.*
Edward F. Ripley.
Joseph S. Bigelow.
Aaron Pratt.
Joseph Osgood.
Amos A. Lawrence.

[Estimate for Heating and Ventilating.]

Boston, Mass., Jan. 22, 1890.

To the Central School Building Committee, Cohasset, Mass.:

Gentlemen: Substantially as shown on plans submitted by us, we will furnish all heaters, iron and tin piping, and all metal fixtures necessary to complete the adaptation of the Smead System of Warming, Ventilating and Dry Closets for your proposed new school building and guarantee:—

To warm rooms to 70 degrees in any weather.

To warm school rooms so evenly that no two seats in the same room shall show a difference of more than 3 degrees.

To lower temperature, in cold weather, of overheated rooms at the rate of 5 degrees for every ten minutes.

To change the air in every school room often enough to provide 1,800 cubic feet of fresh air per pupil per hour for not to exceed one pupil for every 250 cubic feet of space in the rooms.

That the closet apartments shall be free from all odors arising from vault or urinal.

To maintain, at our own expense, all repairs on said apparatus, furnished by us, for a period of seven years from date, except grates and linings to furnaces.

For the sum of twenty-eight hundred dollars ($2,800).

Smead Warming & Ventilating Co.

By E. H. Underhill, Secretary.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

Town of Cohassett, for the Year 1889.

MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE:

TERM EXPIRES 1890.

EDW. F. RIPLEY, *Chairman.* E. P. COLLIER, *Secretary.*

TERM EXPIRES 1891.

JOSEPH S. BIGELOW, REV. JOHN W. SAVAGE.

TERM EXPIRES 1892.

NEWCOMB B. TOWER, E. HERBERT TOWLE.

Superintendent of Schools,

LOUIS P. NASH.

REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF COHASSET,

FOR THE YEAR 1889.

TO THE CITIZENS OF COHASSET: —

Since our last report the Town voted to authorize the Committee to employ a Superintendent of Schools, and choice was made of Mr. LOUIS P. NASH, who is also superintendent for the town of Hingham. Mr. Nash began his duties with us in April, and not sufficient time has elapsed to judge of the great benefits that will accrue to our schools from the employment of a skilled superintendent, but we feel confident that before the close of another year the improvement will be so marked as to be apparent to all.

His annual report, accepted by the Committee as a part of this report, gives some idea of what is being accomplished in our schools, and we, as a committee, will simply treat of those subjects to which he has not made special reference.

CONDITION OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

Our buildings are getting older each year, and, consequently, need many little repairs, with a prospect before many years of quite extensive ones, particularly as regards the Centre and King Street Schools. The rooms in all our school-buildings are not properly ventilated, and would not meet the requirements of the State Inspector, but we hesitate making radical changes until we are actually compelled to, trusting that our citizens will solve the problem of ventilation by giving us a new building before 1891.

Among some of the smaller repairs attended to this year, may be mentioned new chimneys for the North and Centre Schools and fences for the Jerusalem School. Water has been carried into the North School and set bowls placed in each room. Complaint came to us of the condition of the water in the Harbor School, and it was deemed advisable to supply that school with water from the

pipes of the Cohasset Water Co. The closets in that building still proving offensive, notwithstanding our attempts of the year before to ventilate them, it was thought best to construct entirely new ones supplied with water. This was done, and while it is hoped that we shall not have any more trouble from that source, it is extremely doubtful how much of a success water closets will be in a building without a furnace, where pipes and traps, though well packed, are exposed to much cold.

The Beechwood Schools have been supplied with coal-burning stoves at an expense of nearly one hundred dollars, but the saving in the cost of coal as compared with wood will more than pay for the outlay in less than five years.

The rooms and vaults of all the buildings have been thoroughly cleaned during the summer vacation, and, while our school-rooms really need this attention twice a year, we have followed the old custom of a yearly cleaning, but hope to make a change the ensuing year.

Janitors.

We find it more difficult each year to employ janitors for the small pay which boys formerly received for attending to this work, and have been obliged to increase the pay materially the past year.

With so much valuable property in the vicinity of the High School, it was deemed wise to employ a man to look after the rooms and furnace, even at a considerable advance over the pay formerly given for the care of that building. We now have competent men, janitors for the High, North, South and Beechwood Schools, which means safety, better satisfaction to the teachers, more economy of fuel, but of course, a heavier pay-roll.

Truancy.

We received last month from the County Commissioners a notice to the effect that a County Truant School has been established at Walpole. This is what the towns in our county have long sought, and, as for our town, although we have had less truancy to record the past year, we can in the future deal promptly with habitual truants.

The South School.

Early in the fall our attention was repeatedly called to the small attendance in the South Grammar School, and the closing of that school was finally decided on after much deliberation.

At the present time our primary schools are quite full throughout the town, but the attendance in the grammar schools is small. This will undoubtedly right itself in time, but for the present the South Grammar School is not needed.

At this point it is perhaps well to call the attention of our citizens to the average attendance per school in towns in this vicinity: Cohasset, 25; Canton, 27; Scituate, 27; Needham, 31; Braintree, 32; Stoughton, 34; Milton, 35; Randolph, 35; Weymouth, 36; Hingham, 37; Norwood, 38. From this list it can be seen that the average of Cohasset is the lowest. Nearly, if not all these towns have Superintendents whose endeavor it is to raise the standard of the schools. They believe that schools with an attendance of less than thirty are not in accordance with the best interests of education.

Three years ago Weymouth closed a small mixed school near the Town House, and conveyed the scholars to a building in Ward 3, and the report of the Committee of Bridgewater last year records the closing of two schools that had "too few scholars to warrant their maintenance." The sole desire of this Committee is to give the town the best possible school-system, and to furnish the school children with such an education as will best help them in their future work in life, and place them on an equal footing with the young men and women in the progressive towns around us; therefore, it being represented to us by our Superintendent, in whose knowledge and experience in educational matters we have the utmost confidence, that it is undesirable to have schools of small attendance, we are led to believe, taking into consideration the low average of attendance to December 20th (less than nine), the record of other towns similarly placed, and our careful consideration of the subject, that we are not at fault in our decision to close the South Grammar School until an increased number of pupils in that district should warrant its again being in session.

Jerusalem School.

At the last annual Town Meeting we asked permission to join with Hingham in forming a Union school of the Jerusalem and Canterbury Street Schools, the idea being to move the Jerusalem school-house to some point near the Canterbury Street school-house, and make of one school a primary school and of the other a grammar school.

Your committee went over the whole ground very thoroughly, but were unable to find any vacant lot near the Canterbury Street School on the Cohasset side of the street. We had a lot offered to us which had a building on it, but this was quite remote from the Canterbury Street School-house, and was offered at a price which put it out of the reach of the means which the committee had at hand. It was also represented to the committee that there was a probability of a Union school being established at some convenient point which would accommodate all the children living in this vicinity and now attending the Jerusalem, the Canterbury Street and the Hull schools. We had also in mind that in case the town should decide to erect a Central School Building, the scholars of grammar-school age attending the Jerusalem School might be conveyed to this Central School, as are the scholars in this district attending the High School. We therefore thought it best to take no further action in the matter this year.

Central School Building.

We would again call your attention to the importance of the town taking some action in regard to a Central School Building.

We will not repeat the arguments put forth in the last two reports of this committee, for we believe they have not been contradicted, but the impossibility of so districting the town that all the schools shall have an equal attendance has been forcibly brought to our attention within the past month, and we would respectfully submit for your consideration the additional argument that by the erection of a Central School Building all district lines would be done away with, thus settling this vexed question.

Respectfully submitted,

Edward F. Ripley,
Joseph S. Bigelow,
E. P. Collier,
John W. Savage,
Newcomb B. Tower.
E. H. Towle.

REPORT

OF THE

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS,

FOR THE YEAR 1889.

TO THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF COHASSET:—

In presenting my first annual report, I would call your attention to the following statistics. It will be seen that the number of children from five to fifteen years of age in school appears to be greater than the whole number of such children in town. This is probably explained by the fact that one list is taken for one date only, May first, while the other list extends through the entire year.

Whole number of children in town May 1, 1889, between 5 and 15 years of age,	363
Whole number of children in town May 1, 1889, between 8 and 14 years of age,	266
Whole number of pupils in school between 5 and 15 years of age,	378
Whole number of pupils in school between 8 and 14 years of age,	228
Number in town, but not in school, between 8 and 14 years of age,	36
Number in school over 15,	44
Total number of pupils in all schools,	422
Average membership in all the schools,	352.6
Average attendance,	322.7
Per cent. of attendance,	91.2
Total income of public schools,	$10,063.80
Expenditure for each child in town between 5 and 15 years of age,	$27.72+

SCHOOLS AND TEACHERS.

SCHOOLS.	TEACHERS NOW IN SERVICE.	Salary.	Boys.	Girls.	Whole No.	Av. Membership.	Av. Attendance.	Per cent. of Attendance.	Tardy.	Visits.
HIGH,	Arthur Stanley,	$1,200	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
	Drusilla S. Lothrop,	600	40	37	77	59.8	55.3	92.8	–	–
GRAMMAR:										
North,	Mattie P. Bates,	380	13	13	26	23.6	22.2	97.6	67	21
Centre,	Annie A. Souther,	380	8	13	21	18.6	16.8	90.3	116	13
South,	Rubie B. Sampson,	380	10	9	19	18.2	15.6	85.5	19	20
Elm Street,	Lizzie C Bates,	380	17	19	36	32.2	30.2	93.8	52	13
Beechwood,	L. Webster Bates,	450	16	11	27	21.6	20.2	93.3	–	–
PRIMARY:										
North,	Susie L. Stoddard,	360	20	14	34	23.9	22.7	94.7	34	29
Centre,	Sarah E. Fox,	360	16	29	45	34.2	31.2	91.2	–	26
South,	Myra L. Beal,	360	16	16	32	27.2	24.2	88.8	4	24
Harbor,	Priscilla L. Collier,	360	17	24	41	33.7	30.9	91.7	71	37
Beechwood,	Hattie J. Nichols,	360	12	13	25	19.8	18 1	91.5	82	35
MIXED:										
King Street,	Agnes M. Ward,	380	11	13	24	20.9	17.6	84.1	40	21
Jerusalem,	Annie Fox,	380	14	10	24	18.9	17.7	93.6	46	26

Graduates from High School, 1889: Elizabeth Torrey Bates, Eva Lucinda Bates, Grace Maria Crane, Mary Theresa Leonard, William Irving Lincoln, Edith McCormick, Mary Anna Stoddard, Mary Caroline Bates, Herbert Phineas Brown, Herman Scott James, Harry Willard Lincoln, John Weston Litchfield, Philip Curran Reilly, Abbie Francis Tower.

When I came here in the spring the schools were in better condition, I believe, than those of most towns that have not employed a professional superintendent; the schools were definitely graded, and the work of each grade definitely marked out; the Committee were alive to the importance of a good school system, and determined to do the best that was possible in the circumstances; the teachers were working hard, in perfect subordination to the Committee, in harmony with one another, and with an eager purpose to do all in their power to develop the young minds placed in their charge.

Yet it was plain that our schools were not doing so good work as they might do; not so good work as is done by the best schools in other towns. We are not to expect any violent and sudden improvement; a system of schools is a growth, and in order that it may be developed into the best possible condition it must be carefully studied, all impediments must be removed, and then if we work skilfully and patiently we shall reap the sure results of solid and lasting progress. Several things have hindered the full and perfect development of our schools, and one of these has been the

Inadequate Preparation

of our teachers. It is no light responsibility that the teacher assumes when she steps into her school-room and undertakes to educate the minds of the children who come to her. There is no profession and no class in the community that exercise so much influence as the teachers, and particularly those in primary schools. The children learn to write like their teacher, to talk like her, to walk like her; they more or less unconsciously copy her in every act and motion; and if it is true that the children shape their outward acts like those of the teacher, it must be far more generally true that their young and plastic minds will be shaped in a measure into the image of the teacher's mind; they will learn to think and judge and reason as the teacher does, and these mental habits

will go with them as long as they live. There is more truth than fun in the remark that a teacher needs to be an epitome of all the graces and virtues; her work is high and difficult, and she should prepare herself as thoroughly as possible, at whatever expense, and in the spirit of piety.

Lowell has keenly remarked that we trust a man to make our laws with less inquiry into his qualifications than we would make before permitting him to patch a shoe; perhaps the same point might be made with reference to those whom we trust to educate children. We all understand quite well that a carpenter or a blacksmith needs to study his trade before he works at it, or he will only spoil his materials; it is a thousand times more important that a teacher should study her art, for she is to fashion, not dead wood and iron, but the growing minds of living children; and if she manages her material badly the mischief can never be set right. Most of our teachers have had but slight professional training, but they are anxious to remedy their own defects as far as possible; and I take it that the most important thing for a superintendent to do in this town is to instruct the teachers in the principles and the right methods of their work. This we are seeking to do at our

Teachers' Meetings.

We have meetings at somewhat irregular intervals, sometimes with all the teachers and sometimes with only one grade. At these meetings we discuss the work that should be done in each grade, the principles that should guide us, and right methods. By visiting the schools, I can enlarge and enforce this work, and it is my plan, as it has been the plan of the Committee, to give three or four written examinations during the year, and to make a fair rank in these examinations a condition of promotion. I shall also make an oral examination of each school near the close of the year.

Promotions.

Pupils will ordinarily be promoted at the end of the school year, if their daily recitations and conduct have been satisfactory to their teachers, and if in the written examinations they attain an average rank of sixty per cent. in each study; but occasionally special cases call for special consideration. Sometimes a child is obliged to be out of school for some time, and on returning is clearly unable to do the extra work required to "catch up" with

the class; then he should drop, for the time at least, into the lower class; it would be a grave wrong to make a child study hard and keep up his scholastic standing at the risk of his health. Some children develop more slowly than the rest; it is no fault of theirs that they do not learn quickly, and it is perhaps no great misfortune, for if they mature slowly they may be all the stronger in the end; they ought not therefore to be made to feel very sorry about it if they do have to go back a year; they will do more thorough and solid work, and it is really the best thing for them to do.

On the other hand, there are some children whose minds develop rapidly, and who can do the work of their class so easily that they are tempted to be idle. Such children should be allowed to travel through the classes as fast as they can without injury to health or risk of doing superficial work; and we shall put them, with or without special examination and after consultation with their parents, into the classes where they belong; if on trial, the work is found to be too hard, they can simply drop back into the class they started from, and no harm is done.

For the great majority, however, the usual mode of promoting once a year is sufficient; and if any pupil cannot attain an average rank of sixty per cent. in each study, it shows that he has been lazy and ought to do the work over again, or that his mind is not yet mature enough, and he ought not to be pushed along into still harder work.

Course of Studies.

It has seemed desirable at this time to make a new course of studies, not essentially differing from the old one, but perhaps more definitely worked out, particularly in the department of language, and containing some suggestions as to methods of work which seem to be particularly needed. I have prepared such a course as seems to be needed at present by our schools; by persistently following up the course and demanding good work in the school-rooms, the Committee will have the right to claim that they are doing all that lies in their power to educate the children well; but until the Town will provide

Better Accommodations,

we shall not see the best work possible in our schools. In the letter written by Mr. George H. Martin, Agent of the Board of Education, and published in last year's report, there is mentioned

as a defect in our school system, "First, the imperative need of better school accommodations." Our present school buildings are not fit for their purpose; they can not be warmed and ventilated as school-rooms ought to be, and they do not offer in any respect such accommodations as an intelligent and wealthy and progressive town should provide.

A large building can be erected at some fairly central point in the village, which will take all or nearly all the children; it would be wise and proper I believe, to transport any children who live too far away to walk. By the erection of such a building the town would gain several things; in the first place, the building would be constructed in accordance with the latest and best ideas in heating, lighting and ventilating. The fact is that we are now slowly poisoning our children every day in school, for not a school-room in town, except the High School, can be ventilated without letting a cold draft blow directly upon some of the children. If the State Inspectors of Buildings should unfortunately visit the Town of Cohasset, they would order changes to be made for the better ventilation of our school-rooms which would cost the Town quite a number of hundreds of dollars. Under the present stringent law, any changes so ordered would have to be made within four weeks; and it would be a real pity to spend all that money upon our old buildings. It is also true that considerable repairs will be needed, if we are to continue to use the old school-houses, taking probably enough money to make an important contribution toward a new house; and it is not pleasant to look ahead and see where hundreds, or even thousands of dollars must be spent very soon in order to keep up a set of buildings, which after all the money is spent are a disappointment and a trial. It is of course apparent to every one that when all the children are brought together, and a single class is given to each teacher, the schools can do at least one-half more work than is now possible; that is, in plain words, the children will know more than they do now. In every department of social life, combination and the specialization of labor are the order of the day, and it is time for us all to see that schools ought to be managed on the same principles that guide in other business. It would look ridiculous to start a grocery business in this village and scatter it around in five little stores, but it would be no worse for the grocery than it is for the schools.

And besides all this, we should save money; there are now eight schools in this village below the High School, employing eight teachers; and if the schools were brought together the work could be much better done by five teachers, thus saving nearly twelve hundred dollars a year; we should also make a considerable saving in fuel, for it is plain that 250 children can be kept warm in one building with much less fuel than in five buildings. I recently visited the town of Concord, where all the children are gathered into one central school-building, which cost $13,500, including land; the plan works admirably there, and the people believe that their children are much better taught than under the old plan of having scattered schools. Concord is about as far from Boston as Cohasset is, and, of course, it has none of our advantages in location; but there seemed to be a good many new houses, and I was told that the town grows rapidly, and that its growth is in part due to the fact that its schools are so well organized.

It is now some forty years since the plan of uniting our schools was first proposed by Rev. Joseph Osgood, a man whose work in our schools has been of great and well-appreciated value to the Town. Mr. Osgood has been always in correspondence with educational authorities, he knows our circumstances and knows what teaching is, and he says now that it would have been worth hundreds of dollars to him in the better education of his own family if his plan had been adopted when proposed; at that rate it would have been worth hundreds of thousands of dollars to the town as a whole. It would seem that forty years is a long enough time for mature deliberation, and that the time for action must now have arrived.

It will not make much difference where the building is located; it does not hurt boys and girls to walk, and they will run four times the distance to school in one game of tag or tennis, and be all the better for it; but somewhere in the village a Central School Building should be erected for the better education of our children and in the interest of sound economy.

I here propose an estimate of the net financial result of voting for the erection of such a building.

The central building of the town of Concord cost the town $12,500 for building and land, $1000 being afterward contributed by citizens in order to make the lower story of brick and stone.

Suppose that our building alone would cost $12,500; the money could be hired on long time at 4 per cent., and a payment considerably less than $1000 a year for twenty years would pay the debt.

Now, to put against that, we should save the salaries of three teachers, amounting to about twelve hundred dollars, and we should make a saving of probably $100 in fuel. A central building would make so great an economy in running the schools that the money to build it could be deducted from the present school appropriation; the town would have much better work done in the schools, it would not require one cent of the town's money above the present appropriation, and we should own a building that would be a credit and an ornament to the town, and we could make our schools, as they do in Quincy, an argument why people should come here to live. I urge it upon your serious and candid attention, that the next step for this town to take is to build a good school-house. No matter what it would cost, it should be built; but I have shown that such a building will pay for itself, and so will cost nothing.

In our work of teaching and training the children, we need the intelligent and hearty co-operation of the community, and especially the parents of the children; and such co-operation can be secured only if the parents will visit the schools, and see what we are doing. The school system is a prominent object, dear to the hearts of all the people, and it is easy for almost anyone to gain a little notoriety by recklessly attacking the schools. It is to be hoped that people in general will learn to pay as little attention to such talk as they would do if it were directed against any other branch of the public service. We will always welcome the suggestions of those who have studied our work, and who understand what they are talking about; the average school critic usually knows even less about schools than about anything else, and praise or blame from such a source ought not to affect us much.

I ask the parents to step into the schools at any time without hesitation or fear of interrupting the work, just as they would step into a store or a factory where they are interested in what is going on; they will then come to know the teachers and their work, and we need to work heartily together, parents and teachers, toward the end we all have in view,—the highest good of the children.

Respectfully submitted,

L. P. NASH.

COURSE OF STUDY.

The work is here outlined by the books that we have used; but it is not to be forgotten that subjects are to be taught as *subjects*, and that examinations will never have any reference to any text-book.

Reading.

First Year, first half. Teach from the black-board by sentence-method. Use this list of words. (Suggested by Mr. E. H. Davis.)

FIRST AND SECOND MONTHS.

Object-words (represented and taught by means of objects or toys): — Horse, cow, donkey, dog, hen, nest, basket, apple, doll, fan, mug, cat, bird, bell, ball, bat, top, box, axe, cup, jug, egg, rat, pitcher.

Have, see, has, is, put, can, will, run, bite.

A, an, the, red, fat, big, little, pretty.

I, it, my, me, you, yes, no, not, in.

THIRD MONTH.

Man, boy, girl, lamb, fox, tail, fur, feathers, wool, eye, ear, nose, mouth, head, hair, face, hand, feet, kitten, squirrel, chicken, rabbit.

Do, did, was, are, may, fly, lay, play, hit, like, spin, eat, smell, hear, wash, comb, jump, catch.

He, she, we, our, this, that.

One, two, three, four, five, good, bad, new, old, white, black, gray, right, left, bushy.

Here, there, where, fast, very, too, now, ever, and, on, of, to, for, with.

FOURTH MONTH.

Tree, leaves, grass, hay, fish, boat, water, book, slate, desk, chair, floor, pencil, school, teacher, lady, gentleman, papa, mamma, flower, garden, day, night, bed, morning, evening, Christmas, Santa Claus, present.

Be, saw, grow, get, make, row, swim, read, write, go, say, thank, please, love, buy, give, gave, should, bring.

Six, seven, eight, nine, ten, green, yellow, brown, large, small, dark, bright, polite.

Us, your, his, her, him, they, their.

Yes, sir; yes, ma'am; no, sir; no, ma'am; why, when, well, at, up, O, if, always.

Teach sentences inculcating habits of politeness; as, "I say 'yes, sir,' to a gentleman;" "I say 'yes, ma'am,' to a lady;" "When I go to bed I say 'good-night;'" "I always say 'thank you' and 'if you please,'" etc.

FIFTH MONTH.

Brother, sister, baby, house, barn, home, yard, street, summer, winter, snow, ice, pond, hill, sled, sleigh, skates, mittens, hood, fire, stove, wood, coal, sun, moon, star, sky, rain, wheel, wagon, clock, time, o'clock.

Feel, try, help, let, live, slide, coast, ride, wear, shines, laugh, fall, fell, could, burn, ticks.

Warm, cold, pleasant, round, hard, soft, sick, happy, beautiful, young, kind, cross, clear, blue, glad, great, long, some, any.

Who, where, those, these, what.

By, down, into, out, over, much, how.

Fifteen proper names may be added, as desired, to complete the list of three hundred words; or others substituted for those given.

Use the plural forms of any of the words and change declarative to interrogative sentences. Reviews are made by combining new words with such as have been learned, the reviews being kept up throughout, until all the words are easily and fluently read at sight.

Second half. First parts of several First Readers.

Second Year. First Readers.

Third Year. Second Readers.

Fourth Year. Third Readers.

Fifth Year. Third and Fourth Readers.

Sixth Year, *Seventh Year*, *Eighth Year.* Fourth and Fifth Readers.

Suggestions. Have young pupils read a sentence first silently, then aloud, to get phrasing. Never allow *calling words*. Teach little ones to exaggerate emphasis, and to change the meaning by sharply accenting any word you mark. Early teach the powers of the letters, and practice on pronouncing new words for themselves. Before leaving the primary school, they should know the alphabet in order.

In the first year, have not more than twelve in a section, and use the *object;* as soon as possible, let pupils copy on the slate the sentence you write on the board, and when the book is used, let them copy from the book.

In all grades teach new words before the lesson is read; question pupils about the lesson, or let them tell or write the story; teach them to "look ahead," bearing in mind that the sentence is to be considered the unit, and not the word. Always, from first to last, make pupils read earnestly, with expression. Take pains to secure erect position, vigorous action of jaw, good breathing; in upper grades, habitually use calisthenics and vocal gymnastics.

Have good selections memorized, both by the whole school and by individuals; speaking pieces will help. In reading, as in every other exercise, constantly cultivate a sweet, natural, flexible voice; *never* let children use a hard, unnatural tone; and to this end the teacher must learn to hear her own voice and teach by example.

Writing.

At first, children will use slates; teach them to make straight marks, then the letter i, then u, o, a, etc.; use the angular style. Very soon they can copy a word, then a sentence, a date, etc., from the blackboard, and later from their books. Now give them lead-pencils and manila paper; about the middle of the second year take the pen, and use at first tracing-books, so that you may give undivided attention to position and movement. In third year, writing-books, primary course, and in later years the first four or five books of the grammar-school course. Use practise-paper at every lesson for drill on movement and for drill on some one letter or group of letters, so chosen that during the year you will drill on the whole alphabet. Always try hard to get correct position and movement. In all written exercises, demand good writing, or have the exercise done over again.

Drawing.

Third and Fourth Years. Prang's Use of Models.

Study forms, model in clay, and draw on paper. Design borders, etc., with colored splints and gummed paper.

Fifth to Eighth Years. Prang's Shorter Course.

Give much extra work, especially in design; have designs made at home, in colored paper, clay, wood, or worsted. Study the Teachers' Manual.

Music.

Mason's new First and Second Readers and charts.

Spelling.

Spelling will be taught constantly in connection with the other studies. Besides these, Harrington's speller will be used; spell largely in sentences when the lesson is written; in oral spelling make a slight pause after each syllable. Teach the use of the Dictionary in the Fifth grade. An excellent exercise (suggested by Mr. Metcalf) is to give a list of words for pupils to write in order: 1st. Alphabetically; 2d. Alphabetically by their last letters; 3d. According to number of syllables; 4th. According to the place of the accent; 5th. According to number of vowels; etc. When they have written a list of words in three or four such arrangements, discussing and correcting errors, they can spell the words, and they have had a lesson in word-formation which seems only a pleasant game.

Arithmetic.

First Year. Numbers with objects to 10. Figures to 10. All operations in each number. Add in columns, the sum not to exceed 10. Teach the signs $+ = - \times \div$.

Second Year. Numbers with objects to 20. Add 2s, 3s, etc., to 20. Teach $\frac{1}{2}$, etc., to $\frac{1}{8}$ of 16. Add columns, the sum not exceeding 20. Teach examples having several operations as $4 + 3 - 2 \times 2 = ?$ *Make* the tables by adding, and learn them as far as you go. Divide with remainder.

Third Year. Tens to 100; tens and units to 100; tens and units to 1000. Write and read numbers; do not teach Principles

of Notation. Add and subtract by tens, then between tens, then passing over tens, as $20 + 10$, $25 + 3$, then $5 + 8$, $15 + 8$, $25 + 8$, etc. Count by twos, threes, etc. Teach that to divide is to take a fraction, as $30 \div 15 = \frac{1}{15}$ of 30. Roman numerals to C. Common tables of weights and measures, with illustration. Write Dollars and Cents. Teach to measure objects with foot-rule, etc., also to estimate. All operations with whole numbers, to 1000, finishing Franklin Primary Arithmetic.

Fourth Year. Operations with whole numbers to 10,000, and also with Dollars and Cents. Roman numerals to M. Franklin Elementary, pp. 1–78, omitting merely puzzling work, and adding every day a large amount of easy, quick mental work, in every subject.

Fifth Year. Franklin Elementary to p. 104. Use the Drill tables. In fractions, stick to small numbers, and give many extra questions for drill.

Sixth Year. The Bradbury-Eaton Arithmetic. Through Decimals, pp. 1–108. Spend but little time over factoring, use but one method of finding L. C. M., omit crooked questions which are invented to puzzle children, and drill hard both with mental and written work on simple and compound work with fractions. Use the method for division of decimals given in Franklin Elementary, pp. 112–114.

Seventh Year. Bradbury-Eaton to p. 180. Bills, Compound Numbers, Percentage, to Interest. Teach these subjects first as shown in Franklin Elementary, using small numbers and much mental work.

Eighth Year. Interest and its application in Banking, Bonds, etc. Ratio and Proportion, Involution and Evolution, Mensuration.

Suggestions. *First Year.* In teaching a number have the children use blocks at the play-table, and perform each operation, stating the problem as they do it: "Seven blocks" (all take seven blocks) "and one block" (take one with the other hand) "are eight blocks" (sliding together). Next one child, or several in succession will do the same thing, all watching for errors. Use also other objects, and then come to the abstract statement that

"Seven and one are eight." Make a table of all the facts about eight:

$$7 + 1 = 8 \qquad 8 - 1 = 7$$
$$6 + 2 = 8 \qquad 4 \times 2 = 8$$
$$\text{etc.} \qquad 8 \div 2 = 4 \quad \text{etc.}$$

Have these copied. Then make problems:

$$7 + ? = 8$$
$$? - 2 = 6$$
$$4 \times 2 = ? \quad \text{etc.}$$

Let the children do this for busy-work at their desks, and teach them when they are puzzled by abstract numbers to take objects and work it out. Keep the figures along nearly as fast as the numbers, using a plain figure with no loops. Invent indefinitely little games and means of illustration; remember that these little ones cannot command their attention, and as soon as a thing ceases to interest them they cease to learn, and the exercise must be varied. Let the children "make up stories" about the numbers for one another, little questions about going to the store, etc.; keep children's lively imaginations at work and interest will not flag.

Second and Third Years. Make up bundles of splints to illustrate tens; use different methods of rapid drill in small numbers, as numbers grouped around a circle, placed on a ladder, etc. In third year, use the tables for busy-work, and fix them; drill on addition and subtraction of numbers, including hundreds.

In the *Fourth*, *Fifth*, *and Sixth Years*, the work should be such hard and persistent *drill* upon the operations in whole numbers and fractions as will ensure absolute accuracy, together with some facility. Do not try too soon to use large numbers, discard questions that are complicated, use always mental work, and press toward one sole object,—a thorough knowledge of the fundamental operations. Long Division should be taught by very easy steps, beginning with such a question as 3)9369(; teach fractions and compound numbers objectively; in fractions use strips of paper which each child tears for himself into the fractional parts, circles of card-board, clay, and any other illustrations; and always when a point is not seen, show it with objects. In upper grades persevere with mental work, especially with Compound

Numbers, Percentage, and Interest. Do not teach operations upon Compound Numbers as such; reduce to simple numbers, perform the required operation and reduce back again. Measure things; the children should figure cost of flooring, plastering, papering, setting glass, etc., in the school-house and in other houses, which they must measure for themselves; they should measure wood-piles, find the cost of building walls and digging cellars,— in a word apply the tables to objects around them. In applications of Percentage have bills, checks, etc., repeatedly written, and let them use the names and business relations of the people in their own neighborhood. The books everywhere print "practical examples" which are purposely made difficult and puzzling, and are not practical at all. Throw away such examples; in partial payments, for instance, give questions involving such payments at such times as would naturally occur in business; do not make work harder than it needs to be.

Geography.

Third Year. 1. Learn Directions. 2. Study Home Climate (direction of wind, rain, dew, etc.). 3. Study Position (right, left, upper, lower, etc.); learn to measure desk, school-room, etc.; draw plan to scale of desk, school-room, etc.; model school-yard in sand. 4. Study divisions of land and water by observation. 5. Model in sand and draw divisions of land and water, also some natural features of the neighborhood. 6. Read and talk about other countries. 7. Plants, animals, characteristics of people of the town.

Fourth Year. Harper's Introductory Geography. Form of earth; use globe. Read about all the continents; talk them over; learn a few interesting features. Apply the arbitrary marks on the map to the appearence of home geography.

Fifth Year. Study Harper's Introductory through. Draw maps by tracing or from book (not from memory). Get a sufficient idea of zones and of latitude and longitude to be able to read and understand the maps, but learn no definitions. Be sure that children can map something in their own neighborhood intelligently, and can tell what climate and geography mean in Cohasset before letting them describe distant places.

Outline for Study of a Continent. (King.)

1. Position on Globe.
2. Countries, Capitals, Chief Towns.
3. Mountains.
4. Rivers and other Bodies of Water.
5. Climate.
6. Life: Vegetable, Animal, Human.
7. Productions.
8. Journeys.

Compare with home throughout.

Sixth Year. Harper's School Geography. Through United States. Teach zones, circles, latitude, longitude, also relative position of Continents, from globe. Omit the rest of the mathematics. Study by topical outline.

Seventh Year. South America, Europe, Asia, Africa.

Eighth Year. Finish and review. Review mathematical geography thoroughly. Illustrate circles, etc,; study continents topically and by comparisons; study commercial geography, relations of countries, time, etc. Special study of New England and of Massachusetts.

Suggestions. Show the children from the first that Geography is the study of how other lands have phenomena similar in kind to those which they see at home; every kind of fact that you wish to teach is illustrated in their own town, or may be shown by comparison; the first thing is then to understand home geography, then apply book-descriptions by means of these known facts; the teacher should take the class and trace the whole course of one of our small streams, showing its valley, the ranges of hills (mountains) on each side, and the water-sheds, and all about it.

Study Pictures. The children will help; have large manilla sheets made into book form, and paste in pictures from papers, railroad guides, etc., arranged by continents.

Collect Objects. While studying a country, bring, and encourage the children to bring, things that have come from there. Make a permanent collection of foreign articles.

Use Books. "Zig-zag Journeys," and all its class, are excellent; send pupils to old magazines; encourage the bringing of new matter to the class, from any possible source.

Study a continent first from the globe; always study by comparison; compare latitude, longitude, climate, etc., with home; study which way to go and how to go to reach places, and the time needed.

In Fifth grade, trace maps; in Sixth, draw from book; in higher grades, draw from memory, without construction lines. A class should always be ready to sketch what they are studying, and, talking and drawing at once, show all the chief facts about it. A good way to correct false impressions as to size of States is to start with one State and add the others in sections, until the whole country is built up. Making imaginary journeys, and writing descriptive letters home, is an excellent exercise.

Outline for Study of Continent. (North America.)

[Upper Grades.]

1. Position.
   - In Zones.
   - Latitude and Longitude.
   - Direction from other continents.
2. General Shape.
3. Size.
   - Square miles.
   - Compare with other Continents.
4. Outline—draw.
   - Peninsulas and Capes.
   - Islands.
   - Coast-waters.
5. Surface.
   - Highlands — Mountains.
   - Lowlands.
6. Drainage.
   - Water-sheds.
   - Slopes.

6. *Continued.*
   - River-basins.
   - Rivers.
   - Lakes.
   - Swamps.
7. Soil.
8. Climate.
   - Compare with home.
9. Productions.
   - Mineral.
   - Vegetable.
   - Animal.
   - Manufactured.
10. Exports.
11. Some Cities.
12. Races of Men.
13. Countries.

Use a similar outline, somewhat modified, for the study of a country.

Geography should be closely allied to Language, and the description of a country studied should sometimes be made the Language-lesson.

History.

Sixth Grade. Read stories from the books furnished, collect pictures and objects. Call attention to pictures at home; pay particular attention to anniversaries, especially birthdays of great men; your aim is by simple and entertaining biography to awaken a real interest in history.

Seventh Year. Barnes' History, through Adoption of Constitution. Read often and with care the Suggestions to Teachers. Do not send the children to their desks to study out tomorrow's lesson from the books, but teach the lesson, drawing maps of the regions studied; let pupils have the topics of the lesson before them, studying and reciting; let each one state a whole topic, avoiding the words of the book; let the others add points; then comes quick and hard questioning on the lesson. Do not by questioning help pupils to recite a topic; it is their business to know the whole story about that particular thing; when you come to the questioning have no hesitation; never accept the words of the book.

Use maps freely; there are too many little maps on a page in the text-book; have them drawn separately as you want them; use Heath's Outlines.

Study carefully three campaigns and two or three battles in all our history. Always establish the relation of the present lesson to what has preceded, and to what will follow.

Eighth Year. Finish Barnes and review by topics. 1. Discovery and Explorations. 2. The French in America. 3. The English Colonies. 4. The Revolution. 5. Growth of the States. 6. Slavery. 7. Great Authors and Artists. 8. Scientists and Inventors. 9. Growth in Territory. 10. Government of the United States.

Language.

First Year. The school-work of this year is chiefly language; the children must first learn to feel at ease, to talk, and to answer questions in a definite manner; teachers should take great pains to teach children to make complete statements and to speak correctly; time spent in correcting faulty expressions is not time wasted, either for the child who speaks or for those who listen.

Oral language-work is prominent for this year, but the children should learn to copy short statements from the board, also the date. Capitals and marks of punctuation should be used and copied.

Second Year. Copy from blackboard and from reading-books, using all the common capitals and marks of punctuation. During the latter half, lessons on objects, particularly animals, from which the children will make short statements to be written on the board by the teacher and then copied.

Third Year. Mrs. Hyde's Language-Lessons, first half. Cover the ground largely by copying, and make other exercises similar to those in the book.

Practice faithfully upon the writing of little stories, an abridgement of the reading-lesson, their own experiences, and such simple exercises, frequently in the form of a letter. Learn no rules. Several common animals should be studied, as the cow, horse, robin, dog, crow, etc.

Teacher and pupils working together will make a list of topics, which is then left on the blackboard, and the pupils are taught to write all they can about each topic, thus working in a definite manner. Children should not be required to think out a topical outline for themselves, nor to remember any list; the list used should be varied. Here is one,— too full for beginning, but will do near the end of the year.

The Cow.

1. Size.
2. Shape.
3. Color.
4. Head.
   Eyes, ears, horns, muzzle, tongue, teeth.
5. Trunk.
6. Legs.
7. Feet.
   Hoofs.
8. Habits.
   Food, chewing cud, manner of eating.
9. Uses.
   Milk, beef, leather, horn, glue, hair, working-oxen.

It is advisable for the teacher to collect pictures and objects that will illustrate the uses of different animals. Children will bring many things, which may be placed in boxes marked with the name of the animal to which they relate. Teach children to observe the habits of common animals.

Fourth Year. Mrs. Hyde, Part I. Study thoroughly; require children to invent sentences to illustrate each point; have letter-writing, story-writing, abstract from geography lesson, etc.

Fifth Year. Mrs. Hyde, Part II. Also the elementary study of plants.

Teachers and pupils must work together to get specimens of the plants to be studied; every pupil must have his own specimen for study; a valuable drill in "obeying orders" is one of the incidental results of working with specimens; you must require pupils to do just as they are directed, not branching off into independent lines of inquiry.

I. Parts of a Plant.
II. Parts of a Leaf.
III. Parts of a Flower.
IV. Parts of a Seed.
V. Study of certain Plants.

I. *The Parts of a Plant.*

Ill. Any plant easily procured having a distinct stem.

1. The Root. The root lives in the ground.
2. The Stem. The stem bears leaves and branches.
3. Buds. Buds grow on stems; they are full of little leaves.
4. Leaves. Leaves grow on stems and branches; they are green and flat.
5. Hairs. Hairs grow on leaves and on stems.
6. Flowers. Flowers grow on stems and branches; they are bright-colored and smell sweet.
7. Fruit. The fruit grows where a flower has been; it contains the seeds.
8. Seed. The seeds grow in the fruit; plants grow from seeds.

II. *The Parts of a Leaf.*

Ill. Maple-leaf and Rose-leaf. Draw leaves.

1. Petiole. The petiole is the stem of the leaf.
2. Blade. The blade is flat.
3. Stipules. The stipules are like little blades; they grow a the base of the petiole.
4. Veins. The veins are in the blade.

The large veins of the maple-leaf radiate from a centre, like fingers.

The veins of the rose-leaf grow from both sides of the mid-vein, like a feather.

III. *The Parts of a Flower.*

Ill. Single Geranium; for ovary, locust, shepherd's purse.

1. Sepals. The sepals are on the outside; they are green.
2. Petals. The petals are next to the sepals; they are bright-colored.
3. Stamens. The stamens are next to the petals; a stamen has a filament and an anther; the anther contains a yellow powder called pollen.
4. Pistils. The pistil is in the middle of the flower; it has an ovary, a style, a stigma.

In the ovary are the little ovules, which grow into the seeds.

IV. *The Parts of a Seed.*

Ill. A Bean, soaked for some hours.

There is a little stem in the seed.
There are two little leaves.
There are two thick parts.

Show also in chestnut, squash-seed, etc. Plant a few seeds on cotton floating on water in a tumbler, and watch their development, making daily notes.

V. *Study Special Plants.*

Have enough specimens to give each pupil a whole plant, if small, or leaves and flowers of large plants. Preserve specimens of leaves, flowers, wood, etc.

Take a variety of plants, as Rose, Willow, Apple, Catnip, Potato, Oak, Pea, etc. Study: 1. Size; 2. Stem; 3. Bark; 4. Leaves (draw); 5. Flowers; 6. Fruit; 7. Seeds; 8. Uses; 9. Where found.

Sixth Year. Metcalf's Language, Part I. Talk over the first four lessons, but do not recite them; remember the Note on page 5: Use of Dictionary. In using the information exercises take plenty of time, and make all possible effort to illustrate with the object. If preparation is made some days ahead, many things

may be brought to the class by teacher and pupils. Take other subjects than these if you can illustrate them better.

Seventh Year, first half. Metcalf's Language.
Second half. Study of Minerals and Animals.

Here the children should study with scientific method and spirit, and at the same time their written and oral work are still language study.

Preliminary Definitions. (Teach by Illustrations.)

1. Space. Space is the room that a body occupies, and that is around it.

2. Matter. Matter is anything that we can see and feel.

3. Body. A Body is a limited portion of matter.

4. Substance. A Substance is any one of the kinds of matter.

5. Mineral. A Mineral is a body that has never had life, and is composed of one substance.

6. Plant. A Plant is a living body that cannot feel nor move about.

7. Animal. An Animal is a living body that can feel and move about.

A Course in Mineralogy.

1. Define Mineralogy. Mineralogy is knowledge of minerals.

2. Distinguishing properties of Minerals:

(1.) Hardness. *Ill.* Talc. mica, quartz.
Minerals differ in hardness, making a scale from 1 to 10.

(2.) Lustre. *Ill.* Broken glass, pearl button, silk.
Minerals differ in quality of lustre.

(3.) Color. *Ill.* Horneblende, quartz, hematite.
Minerals differ in color.

(4.) Streak. *Ill.* Chlorite, hematite.
Minerals differ in color of streak and powder.

(5.) Iridescence. *Ill.* Peacock coal.
Some minerals are iridescent.

(6.) Transparency. *Ill.* Glass, Serpentine slate.
Minerals may be *transparent*, *translucent*, *opaque*.

A Course in Mineralogy.—CONTINUED.

(7.) Refraction. *Ill.* Iceland spar.
An object is seen double through some crystals.
(8.) Magnetism. *Ill.* Magnetite.
Some minerals attract a magnet.
(9.) Structure. *Ill.* Mica, selenite, flint, marble, etc.
Minerals are described as foliaceous, compact, granular, fibrous, etc.
(10.) Cleavage. *Ill.* Felspar, quartz.
Cleavage is the property of breaking with flat faces.
(11.) Shape of Crystal. *Ill.* Any crystal.
A crystal is the natural form of a mineral, and has smooth, flat faces.
A mineral always tends to crystallize in the same form.
(12.) Feel, odor, taste, etc.

3. Study some common minerals: Quartz, Felspar, Mica, Horneblende, Talc, Chlorite, Epidote, Pyrite, Hematite, etc.
(1.) Distinguishing properties. (2.) Where found. (3.) Uses, and the relation of properties to uses. (4.) Learn to recognize.

4. A Rock. A rock is a mass, consisting of one or more minerals.

5. Lithology. Lithology is the knowledge of rocks.

6. Kinds of Rocks.
(1.) Fragmental. *Ill.* Sandstone, Conglomerate.
Fragmental rocks are hardened sand or mud.
(2.) Igneous. *Ill.* Granite.
Igneous rocks have been formed by the cooling of the earth.
(3.) Metamorphic. *Ill.* Gneiss, Quartzite.
Sometimes fragmental rocks are changed by heat so as to resemble igneous rocks; they are then called Metamorphic Rocks.

7. Study of some common rocks: Granite, diorite, quartzite, felsite, slate, sandstone, melaphyr.

A Course in Zoölogy.

1. Define Zoölogy. Zoölogy is the knowledge of Animals.

2. Division of the Animal Kingdom.

Ill. A Horse, a Star-fish, a Sponge.

A horse has all parts attached to the backbone.
A star-fish has the parts radiating from the centre.
A sponge has parts growing indefinitely in all directions.
Animals differ in *Plan of Structure*, and
All animals are divided into Five Branches.

(1.) Protozoa. *Ill.* Sponge, or Paramoecium in hay-infusion.
The Protozoa are the lowest animals.

(2.) Radiates. *Ill.* Star-fish, Jelly-fish.
The Radiates are creatures whose parts radiate from a centre.

(3.) Mollusk. *Ill.* Oyster, slug.
A mollusk is a soft animal, often with a shell.

(4.) Articulate. *Ill.* Wasp, Lobster, Earthworm.
An articulate is an animal having the body and members made of joints.

(5.) Vertebrate. *Ill.* Cat, Man.
A vertebrate is an animal having a backbone, to which all parts are attached.
[Illustrate fully each branch.]

3. Division of Vertebrates. *Ill.* Fish, Cat.
Vertebrates differ in manner of breathing, etc.
All vertebrates are divided into five classes.

(1.) Mammal. *Ill.* Cat.
A cat is a vertebrate that breathes by lungs, has heart with four cavities; young are produced alive. Such a vertebrate is a mammal.

(2.) Bird. *Ill.* Robin.
A robin is a vertebrate that breathes by lungs, has heart with four cavities; young are produced from eggs. Such a vertebrate is a bird.

A Course in Zoölogy.—CONTINUED.

(3.) Reptile. *Ill.* Snake.

A snake is a vertebrate that breathes by lungs, has heart with three cavities; young are produced from eggs. Such a vertebrate is a reptile.

(4.) Batrachian. *Ill.* Frog.

A frog is a vertebrate that breathes by gills when young, by lungs when grown; has heart with two cavities when young, with three when grown; young are produced from eggs. Such a vertebrate is a batrachian.

(5.) Fish. *Ill.* Herring.

A herring is a vertebrate that breathes by gills, has heart with two cavities; young are produced from eggs. Such a vertebrate is a fish.

4. Study various animals: — Star-fish, Snail, Silk-worm, Lobster, Coral, Grasshopper, June Beetle, Earth-worm, Frog, etc.

1. Place in animal kingdom. 2. Structure. 3 Habits. 4. Uses.

Eighth Year. Study Grammar. Pupils should ordinarily recognize parts of speech; they should analyze simple constructions and know common rules of syntax and how to apply them.

They should be able to punctuate ordinary writing, and give reasons for punctuation and use of capitals.

ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIRST

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS

OF THE

TOWN OF COHASSET

For the Year Ending December 31, 1890.

COHASSET:

PRESS OF BATES & BROWN.

1891.

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OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1890-91.

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor,

J. Q. A. LOTHROP, Chairman,	Term Expires,	March 1,	1891.
PHILANDER BATES,	" "	March 1,	1893.
CALEB F. NICHOLS,	" "	March 1,	1892.

Treasurer and Collector of Taxes, ABRAHAM H. TOWER.

Superintendent of Streets, PHILANDER BATES.

Auditor, CALEB LOTHROP.

School Committee,

EDWARD F. RIPLEY, Chairman,	Term Expires,	March 1,	1893.
E. POMEROY COLLIER, Secretary,	" "	March 1,	1893.
REV. JOHN W. SAVAGE (Resigned Dec. 1, 1890)	" "	March 1,	1891.
JOSEPH S. BIGELOW,	" "	March 1,	1891.
E. HERBERT TOWLE,	" "	March 1,	1892.
NEWCOMB B. TOWER,	" "	March 1,	1892.

Superintendent of Schools, LOUIS P. NASH.

Constables,

EDWARD E. WENTWORTH, JOHN ROCHE, JR., HENRY BRENNOCK,
CHARLES L. KITTRELL, ORLANDO CURTIS.

Fence Viewers,

MORGAN B. STETSON, EBEN S. PRATT, EZRA BROWN.

Fire Wards,

ZACCHEUS RICH, EDWARD E. WENTWORTH, CHARLES A. GROSS.
A. BRADFORD LITCHFIELD, ALDEN BEAL, HENRY BRENNOCK,
JAMES S. BEAL.

Forest Fire Wards,

WALDO C. LOCKE, THOMAS L. BATES, ELMER E. BATES.

Sealer of Weights and Measures, ALLEN C. BATES.

Auctioneers,

LOUIS N. LINCOLN, J. Q. A. LOTHROP. AARON PRATT.

Field Drivers,

HENRY T. P. BATES, THOMAS LONEY, FRANK E. SALVADOR,
EBEN S. PRATT, THOMAS WILLIAMS, CHARLES V. ANTOINE.

Trustees of the Public Library,

MRS. ABRAHAM H. TOWER,	Term Expires,	March 1,	1891.
MISS SARAH B. COLLIER,	" "	March 1,	1891.
EDWARD F. RIPLEY,	" "	March 1,	1891.
EDWARD E. ELLMS,	" "	March 1,	1892.
LOUIS T. CUSHING,	" "	March 1,	1892.
ABRAHAM H. TOWER,	" "	March 1,	1892.
REV. JOSEPH OSGOOD,	" "	March 1,	1893.
MISS SARAH SIG. PRATT,	" "	March 1,	1893.
MISS EDITH M. BATES,	" "	March 1,	1893.

Measurers of Wood and Bark,

MORGAN B. STETSON, EZRA BROWN, ALFRED BEAL.

Surveyors of Lumber,

ABRAHAM H. TOWER, JR., ARTHUR O. HIGGINS.

Undertaker, B. F. EVANS.

Keeper of Lock-up, HENRY BRENNOCK.

Pound Keeper, LEVI L. WORRICK.

Registrars of Voters,

CHARLES F. TILDEN, Chairman,	Term expires May 1,		1891.
C. JAMES PRATT,	" "	May 1,	1892.
JOHN M. DAMON,	" "	May 1,	1893.

NEWCOMB B. TOWER, Town Clerk, *ex-officio.*

EXTRACTS FROM THE TOWN RECORDS.

At the Annual Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Cohasset, held March 3, 1890, and by adjournment on acconnt of a severe snow storm, on March 10, 1890, J. Q. A. Lothrop, Esq., Moderator, appropriations of money for the necessary charges and expenses of the current year as asked for in the fourth article of the warrant, were made as follows:—

For Payment of Debt,	$3,000 00
Payment of Interest,	1,000 00
Support of the Poor,	5,000 00
Support of Schools,	9,700 00
Repairs of Highways and Sidewalks,	8,000 00
Cohasset and Hingham Water Companies,	2,000 00
Town Officers,	1,300 00
Watering Streets,	1,000 00
Removing Snow,	300 00
Printing,	300 00
Fire Department,	500 00
Cohasset Public Library,	500 00
G. A. R. Post,	100 00
Incidental,	600 00
Town Hall,	300 00
Military Aid,	300 00
Straits Pond,	100 00
Total amount appropriated,	$34,000 00

It was voted, that the sum of seventeen thousand dollars ($17,000.00) be raised by taxation the current year for the several purposes set forth in the fourth article.

Article 5. It was voted, that the treasurer be authorized to hire money, with the approval of the Selectmen, in anticipation of the taxes for the current year.

Article 6. It was voted, that the taxes be collected in the same manner as last year, and the times and conditions of payment be the same as then. The original vote referred to is as follows: "Voted, that the taxes assessed for the year ensuing shall be due and payable on the first day of August; and on all taxes remaining unpaid on the first day of October, interest, not exceeding seven per cent., per annum, shall be added to each person's tax, until paid; and all taxes remaining unpaid on the tenth day of January (1891) shall be considered delinquent, and subject to collection according to law. The interest accruing under this vote shall be added to, and be a part of such taxes."

Article 7. The report of the Selectmen, on Guide-boards, was read and accepted. The report is as follows: "The Guide-boards in the different locations remain as reported at the last annual meeting, and we would recommend that they be re-painted and lettered."

Article 8. The list of Jurors, as accepted, is as follows:—

Abraham J. Antoine,	Thomas F. Kinsley,
Elmer E. Bates,	Waldo C. Locke,
Edwin Bates,	Joseph B. Lincoln,
Jacob F. Bates,	Levi Lincoln,
Samuel P. Bates,	J. Loring Litchfield,
Isaac W. Beal,	Caleb Nichols,
Alden Beal,	Levi. L. Nichols,
John Bryant,	James Pettee,
Charles F. Bennett,	Aaron Pratt,
John M. Damon,	John L. Pratt.
Edward E. Ellms,	Alson S. Richardson,
Stephen D. Farrar,	Andrew J. Souther,
Warren S. Gammons,	Morgan B. Stetson,
Samuel L. Groce,	Franklin Stoddard
Charles Harris,	Israel C. Vinal,
George W. Kimball,	Edward Whicher,

Otis S. Wilbur.

ARTICLE 9. It was voted, that the Selectmen cause the financial statement of the Town to be printed and distributed in the month of February, 1891.

ARTICLE 10. It was voted, that that portion of the report of the committee on the matter of a Central School building wherein they recommend that a committee be empowered to purchase a lot of land and cause substantially such a building to be erected thereon as is described and shown in said report and accompanying plans, be accepted and adopted.

It was voted, that the Central School building committee chosen one year ago, excepting Amos A. Lawrence whose request to be released from serving longer on the same, is granted, together with the remaining members of the School Committee not now upon it, together with John J. Lincoln, Abraham Lincoln and Rev. I. P. Egan, be a Committee of eleven, fully authorized to purchase in behalf of the Town a lot of land centrally located, and to cause to be erected thereon, by contract, a Central School building substantially the same as per plans here exhibited, with permission, however, to modify the same if found necessary so to do. The Central School building Committee as now constituted, is made up of the following persons, viz: E. Pomeroy Collier, Edward F. Ripley, Joseph S. Bigelow, Aaron Pratt, Rev. Joseph Osgood, Rev. John W. Savage, E. Herbert Towle, John J. Lincoln, Abraham Lincoln, Rev. Ignatius P. Egan and N. B. Tower.

Upon the statement being made in and to the meeting that the sum of three thousand dollars was guaranteed to be paid to this Committee by a private individual or individuals, to be applied, first, to the purchase of a lot of land for the said building, and second, if there be any money remaining, to the building itself, provided that the said Central School building be called the Osgood School, it was voted, that the said Committee, in behalf of the Town, accept the said sum of money upon the condition stated. It was also voted, that the said Committee be authorized to accept, in behalf of the Town, any further sum of money which may be given for the construction or furnishing of said building, or for the building lot.

It was voted, that the treasurer be authorized, to hire, with the approval of the Selectmen, at the lowest rate of interest

possible, such sum or sums of money from time to time as it may be needed, but not to exceed in all the amount of twenty thousand dollars, with which to build the said Central School building, and that two thousand dollars of the amount so hired under this vote shall be due and payable each year until the whole amount is paid, in accordance with the provisions of Chap. 29, Section 9, of the Public Statutes.

It was voted, that the report of the treasurer of the Soldier's Monument Committee, chosen in March, 1885, be accepted.

By it, it appears that their treasury is without funds, although the ladies of the "Public Library Building Fund Society" hold a sum of about $1,800.00, which they will give towards the building of a Memorial Hall and Public Library, combined, whenever a site is obtained and operations actually begun thereon.

It was voted, to accept the report of the clerk of the Soldier's Memorial Hall Committee, wherein the said Committee asks from the Town authority to select a site for a Memorial Hall and Public Library, and report to the Town at a future meeting.

It was voted, that the verbal report of the chairman of the Committee of fifteen, on liquor prosecutions, be accepted and the Committee discharged.

It was voted, that the report of the Committee chosen to examine the Auditing Committee's report on the accounts for the years 1864 and 1865, be accepted. The conclusion arrived at by said Committee, as seen by their report which has been placed on file, may be understood by reading the last paragraph of their report, which is as follows:

"His (the treasurer of the years 1864–65) bondsmen, in settlement were required to pay, (as they did to the present treasurer) the sum of $530.32, being an excess over his indebtedness of $221.42, which latter sum we think they are entitled to recover, with interest, from the Town."

It was voted, that the report of the Selectmen upon the purchase of a lot of land for a Cemetery, wherein they recommend that the Town purchase for that purpose a certain piece of land on the southerly side of King street, near the King street railroad station, for the sum of $900.00, be accepted.

It was voted, that the verbal report of the Committee on the erection of gates at the Gulf Mill, in which they ask for authority to expend the sum of one hundred dollars, be accepted, and the said amount is appropriated for their use.

Article 11. It was voted, that the compensation of the Collector of Taxes for the current year, be the same as last year, viz., two hundred dollars.

Article 12. It was voted by a vote of 82 "Yes" to 47 "No," that licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors shall be granted in the town the current year in accordance with Chap. 100, Sec. 5, of the Public Statutes.

Article 13. It was voted, that the School Committee be authorized annually to appoint a Superintendent of Schools.

Article 14. It was voted, that the matter of the amount of the salary to be paid the Superintendent of Streets, be left with the Selectmen.

Article 15. It was voted, that this article, relating to the improvement of the Insurance Office in the building at the harbor, be passed over.

Article 16. It was voted, that the Town adopt the Truant School established by the county of Norfolk, at Walpole, as a place of detention for truants.

Article 17. It was voted, that the treasurer of the trustees of the Cohasset Free Public Library be authorized to cause the same to be incorporated under that name.

Article 18. It was voted, that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen hundred dollars ($1,500.00) for the improvement of the Town's Common, said sum of money to be expended under the direction of a Committee consisting of Abraham H. Tower, Samuel Nichols and Amos A. Lawrence, and that said Committee be instructed to improve said Common as follows:

1st. By causing it to be enclosed by a light fence of small posts, and chain, or some other suitable material.

2nd. By causing the road now running diagonally across said Common from Highland Avenue near the Town Hall, to North Main street, near the pond, to be closed, and a concrete walk to be laid out on or near the present road-bed.

3rd. To cause a road to be opened from Highland Avenue, in front of the Town Hall, straight across the Common to North Main street.

4th. To cause a Fountain to be placed in the pond.

5th. To make such other improvements as the Committee, in their judgment, may deem advisable, and the amount appropriated will allow.

6th. That the Committee shall receive no pecuniary compensation for their services.

ARTICLE 19. It was voted, that the School Committee be authorized to provide conveyance for the South Grammar school scholars to the centre of the town until the last of June next.

ARTICLE 20. It was voted, that the Town will not accept the report of the Selectmen on the laying out of the road from Jerusalem road to Beach street.

ARTICLE 21. It was voted, that this article, by which money was to be provided for the purposed new road if to be built under article twenty, be passed over.

ARTICLE 22. It was voted, that the sum of one thousand dollars, ($1,000.00) be raised and appropriated for the purpose of building a Hose Tower, and placing a Bell on the same, on the Hose building at the Harbor, and that the same be expended under the direction of the Firewards.

ARTICLE 23. It was voted, that the Selectmen be instructed to raise the grade of the road over the meadows below Steep Rock, so that the tide will not overflow it, and build a suitable railing on each side, the money for the same to be taken from the appropriation made for the repairs of highways.

ARTICLE 24. It was voted, that the sum of five hundred dollars ($500.00) be raised and appropriated for building a ventilator and placing a fire alarm Bell on the Independence Engine house.

ARTICLE 25. It was voted, that the sum of four hundred dollars ($400.00) be appropriated for building a sidewalk on the west side of South Main street, from the residence of Newcomb Bates to that of Thomas F. Mulcahy, to be taken from the appro-

priation for sidewalks, and to be expended under the direction of the Superintendent of Streets.

Article 26. It was voted, that the Selectmen be instructed to take lawful measures to prevent persons not residents of this town from fishing in Great Pond.

Article 27. It was voted, that the Selectmen provide for watering Ripley road the coming season, provided twenty-five dollars be contributed for the purpose by individuals.

Article 28. It was voted, that the Town will furnish fifteen hundred feet of new hose to be held in reserve in case of need.

Article 29. It was voted, that this article relating to the disposal of the Centre School-house, be passed over.

Article 30. It was voted, that a Committee consisting of Amos A. Lawrence, Daniel N. Tower, C. James Pratt, James A. Bouvé, E. Herbert Towle and Herbert L. Brown, take into consideration the lighting of the streets, and report at a future meeting.

Article 31. It was voted, that the sum of eight hundred dollars, ($800.00) to be taken from the appropriation for the repairs of highways, be expended in grading with crushed stones that part of South Main street lying between the residence of George K. Nickerson and that of Louis T. Cushing.

Article 32. It was voted, that the sum of two hundred dollars, ($200.00) be raised and appropriated for building sheds on the Hall lot next the Town Hall. The amount for this purpose may be increased by using the three hundred dollars, or a part of it, raised for the Town Hall under the fourth article.

Article 33. It was voted, that the Selectmen consider the expediency of the Town purchasing or leasing a gravel bank at North Scituate, and report at a future meeting.

After passing the customary vote of thanks to the Moderator for the able and impartial manner in which he has presided at this meeting, it was voted that the same be dissolved.

At a meeting of the inhabitants of Cohasset, qualified to vote, held on Thursday evening, April 24, 1890, J. Q. A. Lothrop, Esq., was chosen Moderator, and the business embodied in the several articles of the warrant was transacted as follows:

Article 2. It was voted, that the Overseers of the Poor be authorized to take legal means to collect the claim of the Town against the estate of George T. Morey, deceased.

Article 3. It was voted, that the Treasurer be authorized to hire, with the approval of the Selectmen, the sum of nine hundred dollars ($900.00) in anticipation of the revenue for 1891, to pay for land recently purchased by the Town on King street.

It was voted, that the Treasurer be authorized to hire, with the approval of the Selectmen, the sum of eleven hundred dollars, ($1,100.00) in anticipation of the revenue for 1891, to pay for Fire Hose which the Town voted to purchase at the last annual meeting.

Article 4. It was voted that the Town will not rescind the vote passed at the last annual meeting, authorizing the Committee on improving the Common to open a road across the same.

Article 5. It was voted, that the report of the Selectmen on the laying out of the road from Jerusalem road to Beach street, together with the recommendations contained therein, be accepted.

By the acceptance of the above report, the Treasurer is authorized to pay from the treasury, with the approval of the Selectmen, such sums of money as may be necessary the present year to pay any expense that may be made in building said road, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Article 6. The Committee chosen at the last annual meeting to consider and report upon the expediency of lighting the streets of the Town with incandescent electric lights reported in favor of so doing, and the following votes in relation to the matter were passed:

1st. It was voted, that the streets of the town, as far as practicable, be lighted as recommended in the Committee's re-report by not less than one hundred and fifty lights.

2d. It was voted, that a committee consisting of Amos A. Lawrence, Daniel N. Tower, James A. Bouvé, Herbert L. Brown, E. Herbert Towle, Harry W. Souther, and the Selectmen, be empowered and instructed to contract for lighting the streets as voted for a term of not less than three years, on the best possible terms for the interest of the Town.

3d. It was voted, that the Treasurer be authorized to pay, with the approval of the Selectmen, such sums of money as are required to be paid before the first day of January, next, in the contract to be made as above stated, from such funds as may be in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

The Committee upon certain improvements at the Gulf Mill reported in favor of constructing gates and bulk-heads thereat, so that the water may be held at any required height in the river, at a cost estimated not to exceed two thousand dollars.

It was voted, that the above Committee be empowered to cause gates to be erected at the Gulf Mill as favored in their report, and to pay for the same it was voted, that the Treasurer be authorized to hire, with the approval of the Selectmen, the sum of two thousand dollars ($2,000.00) in anticipation of the revenue for 1891.

It was voted, that the above Committee be enlarged two members, chosen by nomination. Chose Morgan B. Stetson, and Edward E. Ellms. The Committee as now constituted is made up of the Selectmen, Louis T. Cushing, Daniel N. Tower, Morgan B. Stetson, and Edward E. Ellms.

It was voted, that the Selectmen be authorized to settle with the sureties of the Treasurer of 1864–65, as per statement made to the Town at the last annual meeting.

Article 8. It was voted, to re-consider that part of the vote passed at the last annual meeting whereby it was voted that the land on King street recently purchased, should be used as a cemetery.

It was voted, that the land on King street, recently purchased by the Town, shall not be used for a cemetery.

After passing the customary vote of thanks to the Moderator, the meeting was dissolved.

A special meeting of the qualified voters of the Town was held Friday evening, August 1, 1890, having been called at the request of the building Committee of the Osgood School. At this meeting Mr. Philander Bates was chosen Moderator, and it was voted, that the Town will not appropriate the sum of twelve thousand dollars to complete the said building in accordance with the plans adopted by the Committee; after which the meeting was dissolved.

ELECTION RECORD.

November 4, 1890.

The whole number of Ballots cast was 243. Election indicated by an Asterisk.

Governor.

John Blackmer, of Springfield, had	9
John Q. A. Brackett, of Arlington,	132
*William E. Russell, of Cambridge,	98
Blanks,	4

Lieutenant-Governor.

John W. Corcoran, of Clinton,	90
*William H. Haile, of Springfield,	134
George Kempton, of Sharon,	8
Blanks,	11

Secretary.

George D. Crittenden, of Buckland,	7
Elbridge Cushman, of Lakeville,	92
*William M. Olin, of Boston,	132
Blanks,	12

Treasurer and Receiver-General.

William H. Gleason, of Boston,	10
*George A. Marden, of Lowell,	135
Edwin L. Munn, of Holyoke,	87
Blanks,	11

Auditor.

Charles R. Ladd, of Springfield,	105
Augustus R. Smith, of Lee,	12
*William D. T. Trefry, of Marblehead,	87
Blanks,	39

ATTORNEY GENERAL.

Wolcott Hamlin, of Amherst,	7
Elisha B. Maynhard, of Springfield,	91
*Albert E. Pillsbury, of Boston,	130
Blanks,	15

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS.—Second District.

Thomas J. Lothrop, of Taunton,	8
Bushrod Morse, of Sharon,	99
*Elijah A Morse, of Canton,	125
Blanks,	11

COUNCILLOR.

John M. Hathaway, of Fairhaven,	89
*Isaac N. Keith, of Bourne,	126
William S. McFarlin, of Carver,	9
Blanks,	19

DISTRICT ATTORNEY.—Southeastern District.

*Harvey H. Pratt, of Abington,	106
Alonzo B. Wentworth, of Dedham,	119
Blanks,	18

COUNTY COMMISSIONER.

Joshua B. Hanners, of Walpole,	7
William H. White, of Brookline,	94
*George W. Wiggin, of Franklin,	127
Blanks,	15

SENATOR.—First Plymouth District.

*Thomas Alden, of Duxbury,	94
Greenleaf Kilbraith, of Pembroke,	6
Hiram A. Oakman, of Marshfield,	128
Blanks,	15

REPRESENTATIVE TO GENERAL COURT.—Fourth Plymouth District.

Henry Jones, of Hingham,	93
Alexander G. Rich, of Hingham,	11
*Thomas Weston, of Hingham,	127
Blanks,	12

Amendment to the Constitution to prevent the disfranchisement of voters, moving from one town to another.

Yes,	83
No,	21
Blanks,	139

Amendment to the Constitution, relative to the right of franchise of Soldiers and Sailors.

Yes,	82
No,	14
Blanks,	147

VOTE OF FOURTH PLYMOUTH DISTRICT FOR REPRESENTATIVE.

	Hingham.	Cohasset.	Hull.	Total.
Henry Jones, of Hingham	205	93	56	354
Alexander G. Rich, of Hingham	39	11	3	53
Thomas Weston, of Hingham,	368	127	33	528
Blanks,	29	12	7	48
	641	243	99	983

FIRE RECORD, 1890.

February 16. Slight fire in the dwelling house on South Main Street, occupied by Dr. C. B. Bridgham. Damage on building, $25.00, on contents, $15.00. Accidental.

November 21. Roof of dwelling house on Elm Street, occupied by B. F. Evans. Damage, $100.00. Accidental.

December 25. Slight fire in building used for storage purposes and carpenter shop, at head of Harbor, and owned by C. S. Bates. Damage, $10.00. Incendiary.

December 25. Building and contents upon the Lawrence wharf, totally destroyed. Loss on building $300.00 ; on contents, $500.00. Incendiary.

December 25. Fire at the lumber wharf and store of Tower, Bro. & Co. Damage about $200.00. Incendiary.

DOGS LICENSED, 1890.

Male,	137
Female,	3
Total,	140

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN

OF THE EXPENDITURES, AND FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE TOWN OF COHASSET, FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31ST, 1890.

Fire Department.

INDEPENDENCE ENGINE COMPANY.

Paid C. F. B. Tilden, horses to fires,	$42 25	
Wm. F. Thayer & Son, refreshments,	26 59	
Joseph St. John, "	24 95	
Gross & Nichols, "	10 33	
Wallace Willcutt, "	5 24	
Allen C. Bates, stoves, etc.,	24 32	
Clarence S. Burr, lantern,	15 00	
James Sweeney, steward,	15 00	
28 Members, poll taxes,	56 00	
William H. Beal, repairs	3 00	
Mary Ferriera, cleaning,	2 40	
Henry Brennock, labor,	4 50	
Lincoln Bros., coal and wood,	8 84	
Manuel Jason, steward,	15 00	
		$253 42

IMPROVEMENT OF ENGINE HOUSE.

Paid Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber,	48 64	
Allen C. Bates, tinning, etc.,	32 85	
Zaccheus Rich, labor,	25 00	
George H. Barnes,	20 00	
George W. Crocker,	20 00	
Willie F. Thayer,	12 50	
Henry Brennock,	7 50	
John A. Robertson, finial post,	1 25	
Manuel Jason, painting, etc.,	10 50	
Bela Stoddard, mason,	13 00	
Amount carried forward,	$191 24	

Amount brought forward,	$191 24	
Paid John W. Brennock, labor,	12 50	
Blake Bell Co., bell,	142 99	
Charles F. Tilden, iron work,	42 05	
Beal's Express,	5 55	
C. F. B. Tilden,	50	
Samuel D. Tower, painting engine,	62 00	
J. Q. A. Lothrop, services,	5 00	
C. F. Nichols, "	5 00	
A. E. Tilden, teaming,	7 88	
D. W. Pratt, painting,	9 27	
		$483 98

HOSE COMPANY.

Paid Clarence S. Burr, lantern,	$15 00	
John J. Ainslie, steward,	40 00	
John J. Ainslie, care of hose,	17 50	
Wallace Willcutt, refreshments,	49 19	
Gross & Nichols,	4 00	
William F. Thayer & Son,	75	
Edwin F. Souther, castings,	7 00	
13 Members, poll taxes,	26 00	
Joseph Jason, horses to fires,	12 50	
Allen C. Bates, hose, funnel, etc.,	10 32	
Boston Woven Hose Co., pipe,	14 50	
A. W. Hayden, labor,	2 50	
John L. Pratt, repairs,	1 25	
Lincoln Bros., wood,	2 50	
Zaccheus Rich, repairs,	75	
Charles F. Tilden, repairs on wagon,	10 70	
Tower, Bro. & Co., wood and coal,	10 92	
A. E. Tilden, horses to fires,	40 00	
		$265 38

IMPROVEMENT OF HOSE HOUSE.

Paid Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber,	$311 78	
Zaccheus Rich, labor,	60 00	
John J. A. Pratt, "	50 00	
Amount carried forward,	$421 78	

Amount brought forward, ...	$421 78	
Paid Thomas A. Bates, labor, . . .	48 13	
Geo. W. Crocker, " . . .	40 62	
Geo. H. Barnes, " . . .	39 37	
Willie F. Thayer, " . . .	44 35	
Spencer H. Stoughton, labor, . .	59 08	
John W. Brennock " . .	20 00	
Edward Nichols, plan, . . .	10 00	
W. A. Snow & Co., . . .	10 00	
John A. Robinson, ...	34 20	
Job F. Bailey, ...	4 00	
Old Colony R. R., freight, . .	25	
Blake Bell Co., bell, ...	221 29	
E. E. Wentworth, shafts and pullies, .	36 50	
Allen C. Bates, tinning, etc., . .	15 63	
Cohasset Water Co., laying pipe, .	74 54	
C. F. B. Tilden, sand and gravel, .	6 00	
Charles F. Tilden, iron work, . .	2 15	
J. Q. A. Lothrop, services, . .	5 15	
Eureka Hose Co., hose, . . .	700 00	
A. E. Tilden, teaming, . . .	4 20	
D. W. Pratt, painting, . . .	33 77	
		$1,831 01

HOSE CARRIAGE, JERUSALEM ROAD.

Paid James S. Beal, rent, . . .	$10 00	
2 members, poll taxes, . . .	4 00	
		$14 00

HOOK AND LADDER COMPANY.

Paid Joseph A. Antone, steward, . .	$20 00	
Clarence S. Burr, lantern, . .	15 00	
Twelve members, poll taxes, . .	24 00	
Wallace Willcutt, refreshments, .	54 42	
Wm. F. Thayer & Son, refreshments,	9 58	
Danforth Sylvester, refreshments, .	11 10	
D. W. Pratt, setting glass, . .	30	
Allen C. Bates, hose, sponges, etc., .	6 30	
Charles F. Tilden, iron work, . .	6 65	
Tower, Bro. & Co., locks and keys, .	2 90	
Daniel Desmond, watching fire, .	2 00	
		$152 25

Cohasset and Hingham Water Companies.

Paid Treasurer of Cohasset Water Co.,	$1,750 00	
" " Hingham "	150 00	
		$1,900 00

Sheds at Town Hall.

Paid Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber,	$181 07	
Superintendent of streets, grading, etc.,	36 35	
Zaccheus Rich, labor,	24 00	
John J. A. Pratt, labor,	15 00	
Charles F. Bennett, labor,	15 62	
Willie F. Thayer, "	17 50	
George W. Crocker, "	16 86	
Joseph D. Hutchinson, labor,	8 25	
John Roche, Jr., "	16 88	
D. W. Pratt, painting,	39 24	
		$370 77

Town Hall.

Paid Allen C. Bates, lamps, etc.,	$27 31	
Lincoln Bros., coal and wood,	26 31	
W. A. W. Tilden, labor,	4 50	
Wm. T. Tilden, "	10 50	
D. W. Pratt, setting glass,	1 00	
		$69 62

Improvement of Common.

Paid Abraham H. Tower, Treas. of Com.,	$1,500 00

Expenditures by the COMMITTEE ON IMPROVEMENT OF THE COMMON:

Paid Levi L. Worrick, labor,	$137 37	
Charles Curtis, "	62 56	
Frederic James, "	59 94	
Manuel E. Brazil, "	33 69	
Patrick Cronican, "	30 62	
John Donovan, " and mowing,	39 87	
Daniel N. Tower, setting posts, etc.	65 62	
Thomas Willcut, trimming, etc.,	49 50	
George Bates, "	6 25	
Edward E. Tower, gravel,	88 00	
John Beale, stone and clay,	134 37	
C. F. B. Tilden, rolling road,	5 00	
Hillhouse & Taylor, chestnut posts,	134 63	
Bliss Brothers, gal. chain and staples,	236 02	
Old Colony R. R. Co., freight on posts,	30 55	
Tower, Bro., & Co., cart'g posts, paint, etc.,	29 28	
Gross & Nichols, grass seed, etc.,	4 59	
Cyrus R. Keene, trees,	8 00	
Ziba C. Small, painting posts,	6 00	
Manuel P. Valine & Son, painting posts,	3 60	
Allen C. Bates, iron pipe,	5 25	
Simpson Brothers, concrete walk,	180 40	
A. A. Lawrence, sundry bills paid,	22 20	
Beal's Express, expressing,	1 25	
Cohasset Water Co., fountain fixtures,	22 55	
		$1,397 11
Balance of appropriation reserved for cost of top dressing and other matters not yet finished,		102 89
		$1,500 00

Your Committee report as now remaining on hand about sixty turned posts, and a quantity of gal. chain, representing a value of about $70, which should go to the credit of this account when sold, or if used elsewhere for town purposes.

Owing to the great cost of the water required for its use, as was found upon a short experimental trial on the 4th of July, the Committee felt unauthorized to longer continue the running of the fountain in the pond, and therefore abandoned it.

We would recommend that a small appropriation, sufficient to keep the grass and walks in proper order, be made for the coming year.

A. H. TOWER,
AMOS A. LAWRENCE,
SAMUEL NICHOLS.
Committee for the Improvement of the Common.

Re-imbursement on Account of Former Treasurer.

Paid Heirs of A. H. Tower, . . .	$263 00	
" " Abraham Hall, . . .	250 00	
		$513 00

School Appropriation.

Paid Treasurer of School Committee, . . . $9,700 00

Public Library.

Paid Treasurer, ... $500 00

Land on King Street.

Paid Royal Whiton and others, ... $900 00

Osgood School Building.

Paid Newcomb B. Tower, Treasurer,	$8,500 00	
Sun Fire Ins. Co.,	112 50	
Home Fire Ins. Co.,	112 50	
		$8,725 00

Henry Bryant Post, G. A. R.

Paid William F. Thayer,	$100 00

Printing.

Paid Cohasset Cottager, advertising,	$10 00	
Bates & Brown, Town Reports,	205 00	
" " printing,	79 75	
Pratt Bros., "	4 00	
Cotton & Gould, "	11 40	
		$310 15

Electric Lights.

Paid Thomson-Houston Co., changing poles,	$45 00	
C. F. B. Tilden, team,	6 00	
Daniel N. Tower, services,	6 00	
Philander Bates, services & expenses,	14 25	
Caleb F. Nichols " "	27 00	
		$98 25

Abatements.

Abated from tax of 1890,	$258 63

Removing Snow.

Paid Alden Beal,	$42 00	
Thomas Bates,	29 50	
Waldo C. Locke,	5 87	
C. F. B. Tilden,	83 00	
Levi L. Worrick,	56 50	
Samuel E. Pratt,	42 40	
James Pettee,	26 25	
Amos E. Tilden,	55 50	
William O. Souther,	69 50	
Charles F. Tilden, repairs snow plow,	8 50	
E. E. Wentworth, " "	5 50	
Thomas W. Whitcomb,	3 50	
		$428 02

Repairs of Highways.

Paid Henry D. Hyde, drain pipe,	$54 05	
Louis T. Cushing, sidewalk,	26 75	
E. E. Ellms, "	10 00	
James Pettee, repairs,	10 50	
W. W. Clapp, "	100 00	
D. N. Tower, surveying,	5 00	
E. E. Tower, crushed stone,	23 30	
Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber,	12 73	
Charles F. Tilden, iron work,	2 75	
Thomas Bates, removing ledge,	20 00	
A. E. Tilden, teaming,	1 00	
John H. Cook, sidewalk,	2 00	
Cohasset Water Co.,	12 15	
Superintendent of streets,	7,377 36	
		$7,657 59
Appropriation for Highways,	$8,000 00	
Received from S. T. Snow,	25 00	
" " County, bound stone,	7 00	
		$8,032 00
Amount unexpended,		374 41

Report of Superintendent of Streets.

To the Board of Selectmen :—

GENTLEMEN :—On receiving the appointment of Superintendent of Streets, April 1st, I began the discharge of my duties by going over all the roads, to ascertain their condition, noting the places where repairs seemed most needed. As soon thereafter as possible, work was commenced grading on South Main Street, from the residence of George K. Nickerson, south, with crushed stone, to the amount voted by the Town ; also the raising and railing of the road below Steep Rocks, as per vote. Hull Street I found in very bad condition, and had it graded with crushed stone, about one half the length of the portion kept in repair by Cohasset. The worst places upon other streets were graded with a heavy coat of mixed gravel, and many of the ledges and boulders removed by blasting. Especial attention has been given to the hills and water courses, and while all have not received the attention they need, still a great deal was done in this direction. For over two months, men and teams were engaged in this work in different parts of the town. I then employed a number of men, some the entire season, to work upon places where it seemed to me they could work to advantage without much teaming. As a sample of what was accomplished in this way, I would cite the hill at the northerly end of the Common, which was put in shape, with material already on the spot, at a cost of $14.25.

The streets needing extensive repairs are Elm, Summer, South Main from Depot Corner to hill near residence of C. F. Tilden, and the easterly portion of Hull Street. They should be graded with crushed stone or a heavy coat of mixed gravel. I would recommend the grading of Elm Street, as begun near the site of the Bourne House, and the balance of Hull Street, the coming season, the cost of which would probably be about $2500.00. I would suggest that your estimate for Highways be the amount voted at the last Annual Meeting, $8,000.00, which would do the special work indicated, and leave enough to keep the rest of the roads in fair condition. Another season, other streets can be treated in the same way, and in a few years our streets would show an improved condition in consequence of doing thoroughly what we do.

The following is a statement of amounts paid for teaming, labor, crushed stone, and gravel, while, in addition, about 125 loads of gravel was carted upon Forest Avenue, and 150 loads on North Main Street, taken from the land recently purchased by the town on King Street.

Paid Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber and pipe,		$218 68
C. F. Tilden, smithing,		66 63
C. A. Gross & Co., rendrock,		43 64
Allen C. Bates, tools,		7 65
Waldo Bros., stone work,		10 00
D. W. Lewis, sewer grates,		26 55
Benj. T. Morse, posts,		2 50
Beal's Express,		2 75
George E. Davis, team,		105 00
Alden Beal,	"	232 50
H. A. Wheelwright,	"	1 05
Waldo C. Locke,	"	116 22
Wm. O. Souther,	"	7 25
Manuel S. Leonard	"	209 12
E. E. Tower,	"	107 50
George W. Mealy,	"	152 50
Louis T. Cushing,	"	75 00
Joseph Jason,	"	316 68
James McCuin	"	2 50
Thomas Loney,	"	3 50
Amos E. Tilden,	"	399 42
Caleb Lincoln,	"	24 75
Warren Bates, man and team,		155 87
Horace J. Damon,	"	91 69
John W. Bates,	"	70 20
Samuel E. Pratt,	"	22 00
Thomas W. Whitcomb,	"	22 50
Ira B. Pratt,	"	16 50
Oliver H. Bates,	"	16 50
Joseph W. Whitcomb,	"	22 00
Levi Lincoln,	"	11 00
Edwin W. Bates,	"	25 87
Amount carried forward,		$2,585 52

Amount brought forward, . . .	$2,585	52
Thomas L. Bates, team, , . .	319	75
Edwin Bates, labor, drills and posts,	31	27
Francisco Frates, " .	14	87
Foster Litchfield, " .	14	87
Samuel V. Hardwick, labor, . .	37	86
Thomas Williams, "	9	25
Rufus A. Bates, "	34	37
Joseph J. Silva, 2nd "	8	75
S. L. Damon, "	8	75
Asahel F. Nott, "	1	76
Harry J. Litchfield, "	17	75
Elmer E. Bates, "	13	05
Isaiah Lincoln, "	3	00
Harry C. Bates, "	10	50
Frank Higgins, "	11	60
John St. John, "	12	25
Henry Bates, "	43	75
Hosea Cushing, "	49	87
John H. Cook, "	42	00
Frank Pearson, Jr., "	50	00
Charles Joseph, "	68	25
Manuel Silva, 3rd, "	74	37
Harry W. Burbank, "	46	71
Frederick L. James, "	28	75
Manuel Oliver, "	38	50
Frank Palmer, "	91	87
Barney Rooney, "	56	87
Frank Silva, "	38	50
Manuel S. Enos, "	70	88
Eugene McSweeney "	73	50
Stephen Riley, "	188	12
John E. F. Frates, "	63	00
Patrick Downs, "	3	50
John E. Salvador, "	90	13
James S. Beal, "	62	00
Antone Sydney, "	37	63
James O'Brien, "	146	57
Amount carried forward, . . .	$4,499	94

Amount brought forward, . . .		$4,499 94
Philip Riley,	labor,	42 17
John J. A. Pratt,	"	12 38
Thomas A. Bates,	"	9 62
Bela Stoddard,	"	19 50
Charles V. Barnes,	"	77 50
Joseph F. Silva,	"	78 75
Manuel Silva,	"	245 00
Otis V. Barnes,	"	258 00
Michael N. Brennock,	"	1 50
Frank M. Nichols,	"	1 00
Thomas Roche,	"	9 25
D. W. Pratt, paint, . . .		61 15
Philander Bates, services and expenses,		525 00
Caleb F. Nichols, 927 loads gravel,		115 88
John Beale, 491 loads crushed stone,		564 65
Edward E. Tower, 680 loads crushed stone,		620 40
Edward E. Tower, 729 loads mixed gravel,		132 26
Edward E. Tower, 40 loads screened gravel,		23 00
J. Q. A. Lothrop, trustee, 199 lds. gravel,		33 13
Isaiah Lincoln, 278 loads gravel, .		27 08
Lot W. Bates, 107 " " .		10 70
Aaron Pratt, 95 " " .		9 50
Amount Expended, . . .		$7,377 36

Respectfully submitted,

PHILANDER BATES, *Superintendent.*

Amount expended on JERUSALEM ROAD EXTENSION, to Jan. 1, 1891.

Paid Daniel Gillis and others, labor, .		$104 96
Henry Bates, " " . .		149 06
George E. Antone, " " . .		336 46
John S. Gracia, " . .		15 75
William St. John, " . .		84 45
Amount carried forward, ...		$690 68

Amount brought forward, ...		$690 68
Patrick Cronican,	labor, .	77 89
Joseph E. Gracia,	" . .	16 63
William McNamara,	" . .	12 25
James McNamara,	" . .	11 38
Elmer E. Bates,	" . .	7 00
Harry Burbank,	" . .	71 76
Albert J. Clapp,	" . .	61 69
Frederic James,	" . .	130 96
Thomas Mulcahy,	" . .	90 57
John Stone,	" . .	93 64
William White and others,	" . .	151 10
George W. Morse,	" . .	42 00
F. F. Martin Jr., and others,	labor, .	89 40
John Roche,	" .	9 63
Levi L. Worrick,	" .	195 38
Plummer F. Palmer,	" .	31 07
Samuel G. James,	" .	159 26
Joseph Jason,	" .	205 75
Frank Pearson and others,	" .	257 50
Manuel Silva, 3rd, and others,	" .	61 60
Amiel Studley,	" .	57 75
Joseph S. Enos,	" .	74 38
Manuel S. Enos,	" .	50 75
Richard Cadden,	" .	63 45
George E. Stetson,	" .	49 44
Joseph F. Silva,	" .	77 89
Manuel P. Valine,	" .	83 00
Manuel Oliver,	" .	67 37
John Smith,	" .	3 50
Alexander W. Hayden,	" .	28 88
James Dalton,	" .	75 27
William W. Bates,	" .	52 12
James O'Brien,	" .	63 00
Stephen Riley,	" .	77 00
Joseph F. Martin and others,	" .	69 63
Manuel Silva,	" .	78 75
Henry Bates,	" .	17 50
Amount carried forward, . . .		$3,456 82

Amount brought forward, . . .		$3,456 82
Mathew Mulhern,	" .	29 75
John L. Pratt,	" .	3 75
Manuel Salvador,	" .	18 38
Manuel E. Brazil,	" .	62 14
Jeremiah McCarthy,	" .	26 69
John E. Salvador,	" .	77 00
John E. F. Frates,	" .	52 50
John Ferriera,	" .	68 25
Manuel Gracia,	" .	97 50
Thomas Gracia,	" .	96 25
C. F. B. Tilden,	" .	30 50
Charles V. Barnes,	" .	92 50
Est. Alden Beal,	" .	86 92
John Beale, steam drill, . . .		630 98
" " use of steam derrick, .		249 11
Gross & Nichols, rendrock, . .		409 23
Amos E. Tilden, labor, . . .		185 00
Samuel Nichols, " . . .		165 00
Thomas Bates, " . . .		151 39
Otis V. Barnes, " . . .		101 25
George M. Ennice " . . .		70 00
Daniel N. Tower, survey and plans, .		89 55
Allen C. Bates, tools, . . .		8 60
Tower, Bro. & Co., drain pipes, etc.,		39 96
Charles F. Tilden, steel, iron work etc.,		102 86
Frank M. Fichols, " " "		138 44
Field & Wild, bound stone, . .		25 20
John Q. Wilson, granite blocks, .		29 00
J. A. Burdakin, recording deed, .		1 56
J. Q. A. Lothrop, services and expenses,		91 55
C. F. Nichols, services and expenses,		92 50
Peter C. Kimball, land damage, .		2,000 00
Wheelwright & Scudder, land damage,		75 00
Total amount expended, ...		$8,855 13

The above amount has been taken from the Corporation Tax received or due, of $15,125, which was to be applied toward building the Jerusalem Road Extension, leaving a balance unex-

pended of $6,289.87 which will remain in the Treasury until needed. The amount estimated to complete the Road will be received from the Corporation tax of 1891.

Watering Streets.

Paid Hingham Water Co.,	$220 00	
Alden Beal,	300 00	
Charles S. Bates,	575 00	
Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber,	3 84	
Charles F. Tilden, iron work,	13 05	
Allen C. Bates, repairs,	4 75	
		$1,116 64

State and Military Aid.

Paid Ann M. Ripley,	$48 00	
Hannah F. Arnold,	48 00	
George Arnold,	72 00	
Leander W. Groce,	36 00	
Julia F. Henry,	48 00	
Asahel F. Nott,	36 00	
Warren Newcomb,	54 00	
J. Foster Doane,	48 00	
Alfred Haskell,	96 00	
William F. Harris,	120 00	
Daniel B. Lincoln,	120 00	
Stephen P. Lincoln,	40 00	
Isaac Phinney,	186 00	
Isaac H. Tower,	58 00	
Robert L. Curtis,	48 00	
		$1,058 00
To be reimbursed by the State,		724 00
		$334 00

State and County Tax.

Paid State Tax,	$4,200 00	
County Tax,	3,229 89	
		$7,429 89

Incidental Expenses.

Paid Hollis R. Bailey, services Corp. tax,	$35 00
Grenville D. Braman, " " "	13 03
Elisha Stetson, suppressing illegal sales of liquor	50 00
Henry Brennock, lockup and tramps,	19 75
E. L. Burdakin, copy of Records,	20 00
Cemetery Association,	50 00
Dr. C. B. Bridgham, return of births,	5 00
Dr. O. H. Howe, " " "	3 75
Levi Tower, care of lamp,	15 00
Dr. J. B. Harvey, return of births,	75
Allen C. Bates, supplies,	80
C. F. B. Tilden, horse hire for Constables,	45 50
C. F. B. Tilden, horse hire for Firewards,	7 75
C. F. B. Tilden, freight,	25
B. T. Murphy, books,	3 00
John W. Brennock, flag staff,	5 00
Peter C. Kimball, board of health,	5 00
Beal's Express,	8 30
Ann Thomas, cleaning,	4 00
C. F. Nichols, sundries,	1 21
Joseph Silva, services at lockup,	2 00
A. H. Tower, Trustee, ball ground,	50 00
C. L. Kittrell, board of health,	1 00
Luther J. Bates, care of lamp and oil,	19 00
Alfred Beal, care of gate,	73 70
Newcomb Bates, care of clock,	30 00
Amount carried forward,	$468 79

Amount brought forward, . . .	$468 79	
Louis N. Lincoln, care of hall, . .	26 00	
Zaccheus Rich, return of deaths, .	3 00	
C. W. Sparrell, " " " . .	3 00	
Tower, Bro. & Co., stationery for Town Clerk, ...	2 50	
Tower, Bro. & Co., rope for flagstaff,	1 80	
Peter C. Kimball, entertainment for County Com. and Town Officers,	18 00	
Charles F. Tilden, repair of hearse, .	2 25	
Gross & Nichols, oil, street lamp, .	4 40	
" " sundries, . .	2 53	
" " stationery and postage, ...	27 23	
A. E. Tilden, horse hire, Selectmen, Assessors, Clerk and Treasurer,	54 45	
A. E. Tilden, horse hire, constables,	8 50	
" " " guide-boards,	5 00	
D. W. Pratt, painting guide-boards, .	24 00	
F. M. Nichols, gate at Straits pond,	1 00	
P. Bates, distributing Reports, . .	6 00	
N. B. Tower, recording births, marriages and deaths, . . .	34 75	
N. B. Tower, use typewriter, stationery, etc., ...	22 75	
		$715 95

Town Officers.

Paid J. Q. A. Lothrop, services and expenses as Selectman and Assessor, .	$260 53	
Philander Bates, services and expenses as Selectman and Assessor,	250 00	
Caleb F. Nichols, services and expenses as Selectman and Assessor,	260 00	
Abraham H. Tower, treasurer and collector, ...	250 00	
Amount carried forward, ...	$1,020 53	

Amount brought forward, . . .	$1,020 53	
Newcomb B. Tower, town clerk, .	60 00	
" " " registrar of voters,	11 60	
John M. Damon, " "	11 20	
C. James Pratt, " "	9 40	
Charles F. Tilden, " "	7 80	
" " " election officer,	3 00	
Abraham H. Tower, " "	3 00	
Edward E. Wentworth, " "	3 00	
Henry Brennock, " "	3 00	
Allen C. Bates, sealer of weights and measures, ...	50 00	
Charles L. Kittrell, Constable '89–90,	70 00	
" " " special service, .	24 00	
Charles E. Nott, Constable, . .	8 25	
Edward E. Wentworth, Constable, .	123 50	
" " " liquor cases, '89,	20 00	
Henry Brennock, Constable, . .	95 50	
John Roche, Jr., " . .	35 00	
Caleb Lothrop, Auditor, . . .	20 00	
		$1,578 78

Amount of Expenditures.

For Fire Department, ...	$685 05
Improvement of Engine house, .	483 98
Improvement of hose house and hose,	1,831 01
Cohasset and Hingham Water Co.s, .	1,900 00
Sheds at Town Hall, . . .	370 77
Town Hall, ...	69 62
Improvement of Common, . .	1,500 00
Re-imbursement on account of former Treasurer, ...	513 00
School appropriation, . . .	9,700 00
Public Library, ...	500 00
Land on King Street, . . .	900 00
Osgood School Building, . . .	8,725 00
Amount carried forward, . . .	$27,178 43

Amount brought forward, . . .	$27,178 43	
Henry Bryant Post, G. A. R., . .	100 00	
Printing, ...	310 15	
Electric Lights, ...	98 25	
Abatements, ...	258 63	
Removing snow, ...	428 02	
Highways, ...	7,657 59	
Jerusalem Road Extension, . .	8,855 13	
Watering streets, ...	1,116 64	
State and Military Aid, . . .	1,058 00	
State and County Tax, . . .	7,429 89	
Incidentals, ...	715 95	
Town Officers, ...	1,578 78	
Support and Relief of Poor, . .	7,145 71	
		$63,931 17

Indebtedness of the Town.

JANUARY, 1891.

DEMAND NOTES.

Martha T. Bates, ...	$1,000
A. H. Tower, trustee of Lothrop heirs, .	3,700
Cohasset Savings Bank, special, . .	900
Cohasset Savings Bank, general, . .	19,100
Total interest bearing debt, . .	$24,700
From the above amount should be deducted the money used for the "Osgood School Building" as not belonging to the past year, but to be arranged in accordance with the vote of the Town.	$8,725
	$15,975

Assets of the Town, January, 1891.

Due from State and Military Aid,	. .	$724 00
" " for paupers,	. . .	234 22
" James Dady, for wife,	. .	508 85
" Mendoca estate,	. . .	595 00
" Mary O'Brien estate,	. .	200 00
" City of Gloucester,	. . .	75 00
" John E. Kinsley,	. . .	28 00
" Catharine Lyons estate,	. .	145 09
" William W. Studley,	. .	33 89
" Joseph S. Enos,	. . .	620 00
" Stephen P. Lincoln,	. . .	20 00
" Amiel Studley,	. . .	4 00
" State, balance Corporation tax,		15,579 85
" Balance in Treasury,	. .	4,304 57
		$23,072 47

Respectfully submitted,

J. Q. A. LOTHROP,
PHILANDER BATES,
CALEB F. NICHOLS,
Selectmen of Cohasset.

REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

For the Year Ending December 31st, 1890.

Almshouse Account.

Paid Thomas Roche, smithing, 1889-90,	$37	88
F. M. Trommer, services to April 1st, 1890,	32	50
C. M. Trommer, salary, " " " "	56	25
C. M. Trommer, " from April 1st, "	322	50
C. F. Nichols, groceries,	134	59
H. L. Brown, "	246	07
Wallace Wilcutt, "	136	71
M. B. Stetson & Co., "	173	93
Gross & Nichols, "	241	43
D. B. Tower, "	51	66
Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber, paints, etc.,	146	05
Tower, Bro. & Co., coal and groceries,	89	52
W. F. Thayer & Son, provisions,	203	97
Bourne & Nickerson, "	149	67
Joseph St. John, groceries,	27	59
E. L. James, potatoes,	11	10
Cohasset Clothing Co.,	92	85
Philander Bates, boots and shoes,	34	47
Allen C. Bates, furnishing ware,	143	69
Jordan, Marsh & Co., carpet,	26	14
Bradford, Thomas & Co., blankets,	16	95
E. E. Wentworth, smithing, etc.,	63	55
C. F. Tilden, " "	30	90
Frances H. Nichols, dry goods,	104	00
Amount carried forward,	$2,573	97

Amount brought forward, ...	$2,573 97	
Seavorns & Spear, tedder, etc., . .	64 91	
Dr. C. B. Bridgham, medical attendance,	26 00	
Dr. O. H. Howe, " "	19 00	
Frank W. Browne, medicine, . .	47 53	
Lincoln Bros., coal, ...	83 67	
W. H. Beal, repairs, . . .	5 10	
D. W. Pratt, paint, ...	4 22	
Beal's Express, ...	7 80	
Frederic Reed, labor, . . .	6 00	
L. L. Worrick, stock, . . .	2 00	
Danforth Sylvester, fish, . . .	45 21	
Manuel Silva, 2nd, " . . .	16 84	
W. O. Souther, ice, ...	44 05	
C. F. B. Tilden, team, . . .	1 00	
C. M. Trommer, cow, and sundries, .	50 06	
S. D. Tower, repairs, . . .	3 00	
Bela Stoddard, labor and stock, .	6 50	
Newcomb Bates, Boston Globe, .	6 00	
Samuel Nichols, plants, . . .	6 15	
A. E. Tilden, horse hire, . . .	27 00	
A. E. Tilden, pigs, . . .	6 00	
Overseers services, ...	90 00	
		$3,142 01

Amount Received from Sales and Income.

Rec'd Gross & Nichols, eggs, . . .	$15 82	
W. F. Thayer & Son, produce, . .	10 40	
Bourne & Nickerson, poultry, . .	39 80	
C. F. Nichols, " . .	5 00	
A. H. Tower, trustee, . . .	180 00	
Manuel Silva, 3rd, interest, . .	35 70	
		$286 72
Debit brought forward, ...	$3,142 01	
Credit " "	286 72	
Almshouse debtor to balance, . . .	$2,855 29	

The following persons have been inmates of the Almshouse during the year 1890:

Elizabeth Hudson,	Jane B. Lambert,
Augusta Silva,	Jane C. White,
Antone George,	Joseph W. Pratt,
William C. Hayden,	Mary Hayden,
Robert Williams,	John L. Morey,
William Hayden,	Manuel Enos,
Philip Sullivan,	Mary J. Enos,

John J. Lothrop, boarder.

PARTIAL SUPPORT OF PERSONS OUTSIDE OF ALMSHOUSE.

Paid Taunton Lunatic Hospital:		
Catharine Lyons, . . .	$145 09	
Joanna Colbrith, . . .	169 46	
William Kilburn, . . .	169 46	
Laura A. Studley, . . .	33 89	
Westborough Insane Hospital, Julia Macomber, ...	$169 48	
Worcester Asylum, Elizabeth Dady, .	169 47	
State of Massachusetts, George B. Williams, ...	182 80	
		$1,039 65

Joseph J. Silva, wife and three children.

Paid H. L. Brown, groceries, . . .	$26 81	
R. W. Killam, ...	6 00	
		$32 81

James St. John and family.

Paid heirs of J. O. Lawrence, rent, . .	$10 00	

Susan Meeker.

Paid H. L. Brown, groceries, . . .	$58 14	
Lincoln Bros., coal, . . .	8 00	
Tower, Bro. & Co., " . . .	4 37	
Bourne & Nickerson, meat, . .	3 00	
		$73 51

Mary F. Dean and five children.

Paid Lot W. Bates, rent,	$23 33	
H. L. Brown, groceries,	100 65	
A. C. Bates, stoves,	15 30	
Dr. O. H. Howe, medical attendance,	5 00	
Dr. C. B. Bridgham, " "	37 00	
E. H. Hyland, nursing,	30 00	
B. F. Evans, undertaker,	15 00	
A. B. Litchfield, digging grave,	3 00	
Lincoln Bros., coal,	7 50	
Bourne & Nickerson, meat,	14 47	
Seaverns & Spear, furniture,	10 00	
W. B. Stetson & Co., dry goods,	7 13	
Samuel E. Pratt, milk,	19 62	
Addie Morris, washing,	7 00	
		$295 00

Mrs. Oliver Henderson and four children.

Paid City of Newburyport, supplies,	$145 50	

Henry L. Bates, wife and five children.

Paid Town of Norwell, supplies,	$55 70	
R. W. Killam, groceries,	14 09	
Philander Bates, shoes,	6 00	
		$75 79

Eunice Sterling.

Paid City of Boston, supplies,	$30 00	

Manuel Enos and wife.

Paid M. B. Stetson & Co., groceries,	$30 72	
P. Bates, shoes,	2 00	
Dr. O. H. Howe, medical attendance,	6 00	
B. F. Evans, undertaker,	60 00	
		$98 72

Lois A. Ney and two children.

Paid Town of Weymouth, rent,	47 00	
Lincoln Bros., coal,	8 00	
Tower, Bro. & Co., "	10 50	
		$65 50

Mrs. Morris, Mrs. Burbank and one child.

Paid Samuel E. Pratt, milk,	$24 62	
Lot W. Bates, rent,	40 00	
H. L. Brown, groceries,	165 67	
Bourne & Nickerson, meat,	28 07	
Tower, Bro. & Co., coal,	24 75	
Lincoln Bros, "	8 50	
Order on Treasurer,	15 00	
Dr. O. H. Howe, medical attendance,	35 00	
		$341 61

Stephen P. Lincoln, wife and two children.

Paid order on treasurer,	$20 00	

Mary Martin.

Paid John Silva, rent,	$27 50	
Joseph E. Frates, "	13 33	
Dr. O. H. Howe, medical attendance,	16 00	
		$56 83

George Powers.

Paid Town of Middleborough,	$3 75	

William F. Harris, wife and five children.

Paid Orders on Treasurer,	$184 00	
City of Lowell, supplies,	22 07	
Dr. James B. Field, med. att.,	45 85	
Laura J. Hill, nursing,	28 20	
C. E. Townsend, groceries,	17 62	
J. Q. A. Lothrop, cash,	5 00	
		$302 74

Amiel Studley and wife.

Paid Lincoln Bros., coal, ...		$4 00

Mary L. McGrath and child.

Paid Orders on Treasurer, . . .	$39 00	
Dr. C. B. Bridgham, med. att., .	7 00	
Dr. O. H. Howe, " " . .	4 00	
		$50 00

Mary E. Martin and child.

Paid Orders on Treasurer, . . .	$60 00	
Dr. J. B. Harvey, med. att., .	5 00	
Dr. C. B. Bridgham, " . .	10 00	
		$75 00

John Tyrer and wife.

Paid Gross & Nichols, groceries, . .	$166 70	
Dr. C. B. Bridgham, med. att., .	64 00	
		$230 70

Caroline Silva.

Paid C. B. Bridgham, med. att., ...		$84 50

William H. Litchfield, wife and four children.

Paid D. J. Bates & Co., groceries, . .	$12 00	
Lincoln Bros., coal, ...	21 50	
Philander Bates, shoes, . . .	4 50	
Dr. J. B. Harvey, med. att., . .	9 00	
		$47 00

Joseph E. Smith and three children.

Paid Elmer E. Bates, groceries,	$36 80	
H. L. Brown, "	90 21	
E. E. Bates, milk,	12 00	
Wm. F. Thayer & Co., meat,	28 30	
Lot W. Bates, rent,	40 00	
Dr. C. B. Bridgham, med. att.	70 50	
Ann Thomas, nursing,	54 00	
Dr. C. C. Tower, consultation,	10 00	
Frank W. Browne, medicine,	27 65	
Philander Bates, boots,	5 35	
Cohasset Clothing Co.,	5 60	
C. F. B. Tilden, team,	1 50	
Tower, Bro. & Co., coal,	16 25	
Town Order,	3 00	
Jesse T. Barnes, digging grave,	3 00	
Fisk & Arnold, artificial leg,	85 00	
J. Q. A. Lothrop, services and expenses,	12 50	
		$501 06

Southward Pratt.

Paid B. S. Thompson, rent,	$48 00

Isaac H. Tower.

Paid Philander Bates, shoes,	$8 18

John E. Groce.

Paid Order on Treasurer,	$12 00

Martha and Sarah Ainslie.

Paid Dr. O. H. Howe, med. att.,	$3 25

Soldier's Relief to Delia Rooney and family.

Paid B. S. Thompson, rent,	$65 00	
Dr. O. H. Howe, med. att.,	69 50	
Order on Treasurer,	24 00	
Philander Bates, shoes,	13 65	
Cohasset Clothing Co.,	3 50	
Tower, Bro. & Co., coal,	14 25	
C. F. B. Tilden, carriage hire,	5 00	
		$194 90
Paid John E. F. Frates, repairs on O'Brien house,	$2 74	
Paid J. Q. A. Lothrop, services and expenses,	$79 30	
Philander Bates, services and expenses,	35 76	
Caleb F. Nichols, services and expenses,	35 30	
		$150 36

Amount to be Reimbursed to the Town.

City of Gloucester,	$75 00	
Catharine Lyons,	145 09	
James Dady,	169 47	
William W. Studley,	33 89	
Town of Easton,	295 00	
Rent of O'Brien house,	20 00	
Sale from " "	3 50	
From sale of M. J. Enos Est.,	630 00	
State of Massachusetts, estimated,	234 22	
Stephen P. Lincoln,	20 00	
Amiel Studley,	4 00	
		$1,630 17
Amount paid Almshouse account,	$3,142 01	
" " Outside relief,	4,003 70	
		$7,145 71

Amount of Credit, Almshouse, . .	$286 72	
" " " Outside, . . .	1,630 17	
		$1,916 89

Amount of expense of Almshouse and Outside Relief, ...	$5,228 82

It will be noticed that the expenses at the Almshouse the past year have increased over the year 1889, due largely to improvements required, in order to comply with the law.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Q. A. LOTHROP,
PHILANDER BATES,
CALEB F. NICHOLS,
Overseers of the Poor of Cohasset.

Amounts estimated by the Selectmen as required to meet the expenses of the Town for the ensuing year:

For Payment of Debt,	$3,600 00
Support of Schools,	9,700 00
Support and Relief of Poor,	5,000 00
Highways and Sidewalks,	8,000 00
Cohasset and Hingham Water Co's.,	1,900 00
Electric Lights,	4,500 00
Town Officers,	1,500 00
Watering Streets,	1,100 00
Payment of Interest,	1,500 00
Removing Snow,	500 00
Printing,	300 00
Fire Department,	600 00
Public Library,	500 00
G. A. R. Post,	100 00
Incidentals,	1,000 00
Military Aid,	300 00
Town Hall,	100 00
Jerusalem Road Extension,	14,000 00
	$54,200 00

The amount to be raised by taxation may be determined at the Annual meeting.

Table of Aggregates.

Valuation of Real Estate, 1889,	$2,143,679
Valuation of Personal Estate, 1889,	1,436,559
	$3,580,238
Valuation of Real Estate, 1890,	$2,208,554
Valuation of Personal Estate, 1890,	1,551,784
Total Valuation, 1890,	$3,760,338
Increase of Real Estate, 1890,	$64,875
Increase of Personal Estate, 1890,	115,225
Total increase, 1890,	$180,100

Number of Polls, 1890,	625
State Tax, 1890,	$4,200 00
County Tax, 1890,	3,229 89
Town Grant, 1890,	20,200,00
Overlayings, 1890,	318 13
Total Tax, 1890,	$27,948 02
Rate per cent. on $1,000,	$7.10
Number of Dwellings assessed, 1890,	573
" Acres " "	5,920¾
" Persons " "	993
" " " on property, 1890,	708
" " " poll tax only, "	285
" Horses, 1890,	320
" Cows, "	323
" Neat Cattle, 1890,	83
" Swine, "	54

List of Jurors

Drawn During the Year Ending December 31st, 1890.

February,	Herbert O. Beale,	Supreme J. Court.
March 27,	Joseph B. Lincoln,	Grand Juror.
March 27,	Samuel P. Bates,	Superior Court.
April 24,	John Bryant,	" "
August 28,	John M. Damon,	" "
September 25,	Alson S. Richardson,	" "
November 24,	Stephen D. Farrar,	" "
December 24,	Thomas F. Kinsley.	" "

List of Jurors

To be revised and accepted by the Town at the Annual Meeting, to be held March 2nd, 1891.

Abraham J. Antone,
Elmer E. Bates,
Edwin Bates,
Jacob F. Bates,
Isaac W. Beal,
Charles F. Bennett,
Thomas D. Blossom,
Cyrus H. Bates,
William S. Bryant,
Morton S. Crehore,
William E. Crocker,
Horace J. Damon,
Edward E. Ellms,
Warren S. Gammons,
Samuel L. Groce,
Charles Harris,
George W. Kimball,
Waldo C. Locke,
Levi Lincoln,
J. Loring Litchfield,
Isaiah Lincoln,
Caleb Nichols,
Levi L. Nichols,
James Pettee,
Aaron Pratt,
John L. Pratt,
C. James Pratt,
John J. A. Pratt,
William H. Reed,
Andrew J. Souther,
Morgan B. Stetson,
Franklin Stoddard,
Charles F. Tilden,
Israel C. Vinal,
Otis S. Wilbur,
Levi L. Worrick.

REPORT

OF THE

TOWN TREASURER.

Dr. Town of Cohasset in Account with

1890-1891.

To paid Orders of Selectmen for the current year,	$45,482 54
" " " State and Military Aid,	1,058 00
" " " School Teaching, Fuel and repairs of School-houses,	9,700 00
" of Assessors for Abatement of Taxes,	258 63
Income of Mass. School Fund, Ripley Fund, and Dog License money on School Account,	312 24
Bounty on tails of three Seals killed,	3 00
State Treasurer one-fourth of Liquor License fees,	25
Commonwealth of Massachusetts Tax, 1890,	4,200 00
County of Norfolk Tax, 1890,	3,229 89
W. W. Clapp, Note due April 15, 1890,	1,000 00
Cohasset Savings Bank, Note due May 1, 1890,	1,000 00
" " " Hall Note due October 1, 1890,	1,000 00
Interest on Town's Notes, 1890,	926 29
	$68,170 84
Balance in Treasury, to new account,	4,304 57
	$72,475 41

Cohasset, January, 1891.

Abraham H. Tower, Treasurer, Cr.

1890-1891.

By balance in Treasury, from former account,	$4,876 54
Received of Commonwealth of Massachusetts, viz.:	
Corporation and Nat'l Bank Taxes, 1889, add'l,	1,325 71
Corporation Tax, 1890,	9,679 47
National Bank Tax, 1890,	6,494 52
State Aid, 1890,	690 00
State Pauper, 1890,	104 00
Income Massachusetts School Fund, 1889,	13 92
County of Norfolk Dog Licenses, 1889,	257 92
" " for setting bound stones,	7 00
" " " Bounty on Seals' tails,	3 00
City of Gloucester, for Supplies, 1889,	87 70
Town of Scituate, " " 1889,	21 75
Town of Easton, " " 1890,	295 00
Cohasset Mutual Fire Ins. Co., office rent, 1890,	60 00
Louis N. Lincoln, income Town Hall,	38 00
S. T. Snow, for removing ledge, So. Main St.,	25 00
Lincoln, Lothrop & Pratt, Aucts. License, 1890,	6 00
Frank W. Browne, Sixth Class License, 1890,	1 00
James S. Bates, Pedler's License,	8 00
Interest on Bank Deposits and other sources,	87 24
Interest and Fees on collection of Delinquent Taxes,	74 89
Interest from Ripley Fund, 1890,	40 40
Interest from Manuel Sylvia, 2d, 1890,	35 70
J. Q. A. Lothrop, Auctr. dep. on sale of Enos Estate,	10 00
Rent and Sales from O'Brien House,	23 50
Produce Sales from Alms House,	71 03
A. H. Tower, Trustee for support J. J. Lothrop at Alms House, 1890,	180 00
Cohasset Savings Bank, hired Money for King St. Land,	900 00
Cohasset Savings Bank, hired Money, 1890,	19,100 00
Amount of Tax List for 1890,	27,958 12
	$72,475 41

ABRAHAM H. TOWER, *Treasurer.*

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

The Librarian of the Cohasset Free Public Library respectfully submits her Annual Report.

The Library opened every Library day during the year.

In that time the number of books issued was 8613; the largest delivery being on January 18, of 159 books, and the smallest on December 24, of 23 books.

There are registered to date 1442 borrowers.

Number of books added the past year: By donation, 162 volumes and pamphlets; by purchase, 26 volumes and one magazine; by binding, 30 volumes. Entire number of volumes in the Library, including pamphlets, 4800.

Gifts of books have been received from Mr. Wilford Woodruff, Rev. Joseph Osgood, Messrs. Waldo Higginson, W. W. Clapp, S. T. Snow, Dr. Robert M. Lawrence, The Bostonian Society, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and U. S. Government, and a generous contribution of money from David W. Cheever, M. D.

In accordance with a vote of the town, the Trustees have in hand the incorporation of the Library, which will probably soon be accomplished.

Classification of reading the past year:

History and Biography,	341
Travels and Geography,	316
Science and Art,	57
Literature and Poetry,	157
Magazines,	1557
Fiction,	6129
Religion,	24
Agriculture,	32
	8613

SARAH B. COLLIER, *Librarian.*

COHASSET, Jan. 1891.

DR. COHASSET FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY in Account with A. H. TOWER, Treasurer. CR.

1890-1891.		1890-1891.	
To Balance due Treasurer from 1889 account,	$22 77	By received from sale of catalogues,	$3 90
paid Book Agents for Books,	16 00	" from sale of cards,	6 80
Estes & Lauriat for books,	58 09	" from fines,	17 65
Estes & Lauriat, magazine subscriptions,	46 25	" from David W. Cheever, M. D., contribution,	25 00
Beal's Express bill,	4 30	" Town appropriation, 1890,	500 00
C. F. B. Tilden, bill, cartage books,	2 25		
Allen C. Bates, bill, oil, etc.,	3 27		
Tower, Bro. & Co., bill, coal,	6 86		
Walter C. Browne, Janitor's services,	6 70		
Librarian's expenditures for stationery, postal cards, etc.,	6 45		
Sarah B. Collier, Librarian's salary,	150 00		
Balance in Treasury, carried to new account,	230 41		
	$553 35		$553 35

COHASSET, January, 1891.

A. H. TOWER, *Treasurer.*

LIST OF
MARRIAGES, BIRTHS AND DEATHS.

Registered in Cohasset, during the Year 1890.

PREPARED BY THE TOWN CLERK.

MARRIAGES.

Date.	NAMES.	Residence.	Where and by whom Married.
1890.			
Jan. 6	Edward W. Maloney Mary E. Murphy	Cohasset Boston	Married at Boston by Rev. Joseph H. Gallagher.
Mar. 2	David H. Young Mary E. Callaghan	Scituate Rockland	Married at Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.
April 7	Patrick Bergan Annie Lyman	Cohasset Boston	Married at Boston by Rev. Richard J. Barry.
" 15	Nathan Manasse Anna B. Ellms	Chicago, Ill Cohasset	Married at Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.
" 19	James W. Holland Annie McNeil	Cohasset "	Married at Cohasset by Rev. Ignatius P. Egan.
" 21	Michael Coyne Mary Mortimer	Cohasset Boston	Married at So. Boston by Rev. M. F. Murphy.
" 29	John Keating Margaret McDonough	Cohasset Boston	Married at Boston by Rev. L. M. A. Corcoran.
" 30	Henry Sylvester, Jr. Eunice C. Gammons	Scituate Cohasset	Married at Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.
May 13	Minot S. Mathewson Hattie M. Curtis	Weymouth Cohasset	Married at Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.
June 2	George W. Morse Mary A. Kelly	Dedham "	Married at Cohasset by Rev. John W. Savage.
" 5	Samuel F. Vickery Emma R. Taylor	Scituate Cohasset	Married at Cohasset by Rev. Nelson W. Bailey.
" 23	Godfrey L. Cabot Maria B Moors	Worthington, Pa Boston	Married at Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.
July 13	William O. Ainslie Elizabeth J. Burke	Cohasset Weymouth	Married at Weymouth by Rev. J. J. Murphy.
" 16	Harry A. Carr Martha M. Ainslie	Boston Cohasset	Married at Boston by Albert J. Lovett, Esq.
Aug. 15	George W. Johnston Elizabeth S. Davis	Hull "	Married at Cohasset by Alfred Beal, Esq.
Sept. 1	Ira F. Martin Margaret McLane	Boston Cohasset	Married at Cohasset by Alfred Beal, Esq.
" 29	Edward E. Brown Edith B. Curtis	Scituate Cohasset	Married at Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.
Oct. 22	Henry Bryant Alida M. Loring	Cohasset Brookline	Married at Boston by Rev. Leighton Parks.
Nov. 23	Michael McCarty Margaret Regan	Cohasset Boston	Married at Boston by Rev. L. M. A. Corcoran.
" 26	Frederic C. Higgins Emma F. Vance	Cohasset "	Married at Scituate by Rev. T. Richard Peed.
" 27	John P. Johnson Otlonia J. Blondell	Hingham "	Married at Cohasset by Rev. E. C. Strout.
" 27	Zenas D. Lincoln Nina E. Higgins	Cohasset "	Married at Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.
Dec. 10	Abner N. Bates Mary Spooner	Cohasset Scituate	Married at Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.
" 14	James R. Nott Sarah A. Litchfield	Scituate "	Married at Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.
" 24	Henry E. Merritt Minta C. Bowditch	Scituate "	Married at Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.
" 24	Arthur Studley Cora B. Reynolds	Cohasset Duxbury	Married at Duxbury by Rev. C. D. Harp.

Twenty-six marriages solemnized during the year 1890 were returned to this office for record, as per list above.

BIRTHS.—1890.

Date.	NAME OF CHILD.	Parents' Name.	Mother's M. N.	Place of Birth.
Jan. 8	Sarah Ellen Antoine	Abraham J. and Elizabeth	Queeny	Beechwood St.
" 23	Gertrude Eastman Keene	Arthur R. and Addie A.	Studley	Beach St.
Feb. 1	Frederick I. Baker	Herbert W. and Mary D.	Cushing	Margin St.
" 11	Margaret Ellen Donovan	John and Mary J	Queeny	Stockbridge St.
" 13	Alice Lothrop Cousens	Charles H. and Eunice J	Lothrop	Elm St.
" 18	James Herbert Davis	Edward N. and Hattie L.	Palmer	Highland Ave.
" 25	Abbie Willie Merritt	Edward W. and Abbie W.	Barnes	Jerusalem Rd.
Mar. 8	Osgood Tower	Abraham H. Jr. and Mary F	Osgood	Elm St.
" 8	Dorothy Cameron Wilson	Charles and Matilda	Fraser	South Main St.
" 26	Susie Belle Mealy	Peter H. and Mary J	Winne	Beechwood St.
April 4	Catherine McMahon	Henry L. and Jane E	Rafferty	South Main St.
" 19	Kenneth Francis Antoine	Frank F. and Katie	Delacey	Elm St.
" 27	Mary Agnes Ruddiman	John E. and Mary	Jason	Snow Place.
" 29	Lizzie Ellen Sylvia	Joseph J. and Julia E	Litchfield	Beechwood St.
May 7	Aaron Pratt	John J. A. and Mary F	Antoine	Beechwood St.
" 9	Harry Briggs Brown	Harry B. and Nettie G.	Bogues	Beechwood St.
" 9	May Louise Barnes	Charles V. and Hattie A.	Morse	North Main St.
" 9	Ivar Carl Thimotheus Lundin	Carl A. and Ida M.	Hultman	Margin St.
" 24	Elsie May Wheelwright	Frank W. and Lillian M	Stoddard	Beechwood St.
June 11	Eugene Munnies	George F. and Mary A.	Cassidy	Beechwood St.
" 14	Edward Aliwitious Mulvey	William and Margaret L	Devine	Pond St.
" 18	Joseph Manuel Jason	Manuel and Sarah	Gillis	Border St.
" 21	Dalton	James and Margaret	Ryan	Smith Place.
" 23	Mary Amelia Antoine	Charles V. and Helen C.	Frates	Stockbridge St.
July 2	Leila Emily Boles	Alexander R. and Emily W.	Stewart	Spring St.
" 3	Kendall Thayer Bates	John and Minnie E.	Thayer	North Main St.
" 7	Lucretia Agnes Roche	Thomas and Annie	Ahearn	North Main St.
" 9	Sybil Howe	George R. and Lydia N.	Lowe	Beach St.
Aug. 13	Barbara Bolles	Richard F. and Mary R.	Kendall	Jerusalem Rd.
" 22	Alice McNeil	David and Lizzie A	Ringham	Border St.
" 30	George Wilbur Morse	Benj. F. and Winnifred E.	Lynde	North Main St.
Sept. 1	Margaret Louise Daley	Bartholomew and Ellen A.	Cronican	Pleasant St.
" 1	Clement Carroll Mulcahy	Thomas F. and Mary	Green	South Main St.
" 1	——Sweares	Ellsworth and Flora	Hutchins	Pleasant St.
" 11	Joseph Andrew Vandura	Joseph F. and Mary L.	Johnson	Margin St.
" 21	Eleanor Frances Frates	John E. F. and Louisa	Mulvey	Stockbridge St.
" 29	Leora Eveline Dean	Elmer E. and Mary F.	Britton	Beechwood St.
Oct. 17	Theresa Lillian Riley	Stephen and Mary	Finnegan	Sohier St.
Dec. 4	Everett Warren Gammons	Charles W. and Edith J	Tower	Highland Ave.
" 5	Bertram Lincoln Beal	Sidney L. and Martha J	Cruikshank	Hull St.
" 7	Laura Doane Vickery	Samuel L. and Emma R.	Taylor	King St.
" 13	Esther Ann Archer	Richard H. and Hannah	Nolan	Jerusalem Rd.
1889.				
May 7	Edith Menora Sidney	Antoine J. and Josephine J	Frates	Jerusalem Rd.
June 28	Mary Theresa Peter	Antoine and Julia	Frates	Spring St.

Forty-two children were born in this town during 1890, seventeen males and twenty-five females, as per list above, which contains also two omissions from the 1889 list.

There were born of American Parents, . . . 24
Foreign Parents, ... 6
American Father and Foreign Mother, 7
Foreign Father and American Mother, 5

DEATHS. — 1890.

Date.		NAMES.	Age. Y.	M.	D.	Cause of Death.	Place of Death.
Jan.	3	Mary (Wiggin) Priest	84	2	20	Old Age	Forest Ave.
"	8	[1]Nellie Agnes Rooney	10	5	7	Meningitis	Elm St.
"	10	Fannie Tower Bates	20	8	..	Pul. Phthisis	So. Main St.
"	11	Maria (Lawrence) Smith	91	..	24	Paralysis	Summer St.
"	11	Ann M. (Smith) Cutler	68	4	24	Pneumonia	Summer St.
"	25	Harriet G. (Pratt) Francis	86	4	..	Pneumonia,	Beechwood St.
Feb.	6	Joanna Maria (Towle) Tilden	58	3	..	La Grippe	So. Main St.
"	12	John W. Bates	74	2	..	Pneumonia	No. Main St.
"	28	[2]George C. Jackson	25	5	29	Typhoid Fever	So. Main St.
Mar.	8	Abbie W. (Barnes) Merritt	29	..	16	Puerp. Septicœmia	Jerusalem Road
"	8	Dorothy Cameron Wilson	..	..	1	Premature Birth	So. Main St.
"	16	Emma Josephine Streight	9	9	..	Typhoid Fever	So. Main St.
"	17	Gertrude Eastman Keene	..	1	22	Marasmus	Beach St.
April	14	William H. Taylor	28	..	..	Hypert'y of Heart	Church St.
"	15	Sarah J. (Conley) Bates	48	..	..	Consumption	Beechwood St.
"	30	Mary E. Smith	15	5	..	Phthisis	Beechwood St.
May	1	Mary A. (Woodbury) Marsh	49	6	..	Softening of Brain	Highland Ave.
"	10	[3]John J. Vandura	2	4	15	Paralysis	Margin St.
June	21	Margaret E. (Johnson) Stuart	52	1	17	Rup. of Bloodve'sl	Margin St.
July	9	Sybil Howe	..	..	1	Disease of Heart	Beach St.
"	15	Daniel Tower	75	5	21	Chro. Cat. Cystitis	Elm St.
"	21	Hepsibah K. (Wilson) Battles	65	..	..	Paralysis	Elm St.
"	22	[3]George A. Kingsbury	41	3	12	Brights Disease	Jerusalem Road
"	29	[4]Burton H. Prouty	16	..	17	Drowned	
Aug.	3	Adeline Pratt	70	10	13	Stric. of Intestines	Spring St.
"	8	[5]Thomas Holmes Hyde	..	9	1	Convulsions	Forest Ave.
"	28	Jane (Bates) Tower	77	7	25	Fatty Deg. of Hrt.	Beach St.
"	29	[6]James Roston	90	1	15	Atony. of Bowels	No. Main St.
Sept.	3	[7]———Sweares	..	..	2	Disease of Brain	Pleasant St.
"	9	Maria (Litchfield) Bates	72	5	6	Marasmus m	Beechwood St.
"	28	Thomas Williams	72	5	..	Heart Disease.	Beechwood St.
Oct.	4	Caroline E. (Pratt) Newcomb	46	..	..	Cancer	Beechwood St.
"	4	Joseph W. Pratt	34	..	..	Diarrhœa	Almshouse.
"	4	[2]Manuel Ignacia de Mello	76	3	7	Old Age	Almshouse.
"	18	Leora E. Dean	..	..	19	Diarrhœa	Beechwood St.
"	20	Martin Lincoln	91	2	6	Pneumonia	So. Main St.
"	24	[1]Alice C. (Stoddard) Williams	40	2	..	Heart Disease	Hull St.
"	30	[1]Clarissa (Cushing) Ripley	85	7	4	Heart Disease	So. Main St.
Nov.	7	[2]Marla J. (Furtado) de Mello	75	7	9	General Paralysis.	Almshouse.
"	16	Alden Beal	42	7	6	Brights Disease	Hull St
Dec.	15	Martin Nichols	44	4	15	Railroad Accident	So. Main St.
"	19	Sarah Emeline Adams Albro	70	2	1	Brights Disease	So. Main St.
"	27	John B. Hollis	94	4	9	Pneumonia	Smith Pl.

1. Buried at Hingham.
2. " " Scituate,
3. " " No. Brookfield.
4. Buried at Duxbury.
5. " " Bath, Me.
6. " " Forest Hills.
7. Buried at Weymouth.

Of the above forty-three deaths, twenty-four were born in this town, nine in other parts of this State, six in other States, and four only in foreign countries.

There were seven under 5 years of age; one between 5 and 10; three between 10 and 20; four between 20 and 30; one between 30 and 40; seven between 40 and 50; two between 50 and 60; two between 60 and 70; nine between 70 and 80; three between 80 and 90, and four over 90 years, and their average age was 47 years, 4 months, 2 days.

The following is a list of persons who have died in other places during the year 1890, but who have been brought to this town for interment, with two exceptions noted.

DEATHS. — 1890.

Date.	NAMES.	Age.			Cause of Death.	Place of Death.
		Y.	M.	D.		
Feb. 15	John P. Doane.....	21	7	..	....	Milford.
March 7	[1]Mary (Murphy) Clark	70	..	..	Pneumonia.....	Boston.
" 16	Eloise E. Appleton.....	42	..	22	Consumption.....	Winthrop.
May 17	George C. Lincoln.....	23	3	10	Consumption.....	Winthrop.
July 20	[1]Michael Power.....	69	..	..	Old Age.....	Boston.
Aug. 8	Grace E. Lawrence.....	19	10	3	Acute Consump...	Hollis, N. H.
" 18	George A. Tibbetts.....	14	3	13	Diabetes	Hingham.
" 25	Elmore W. Beal.....	29	10	25	Peretonitis.....	Hingham.
Oct. 22	George F. Wallis.....	37	5	..	Pneumonia.....	Everett.

1. Buried at Dorchester.

NEWCOMB B. TOWER, *Town Clerk.*

Town of Cohasset in Account with the School Committee.

1890. *Dr.*

TEACHING.

High School,	Arthur Stanley, . .	$180 00	
	Miss D. S. Lothrop, . .	630 00	
	Edward J. Cox, . .	905 00	
North School,	Miss Martha P. Bates, .	380 00	
	" Susie L. Stoddard, .	360 00	
Centre School,	" Annie A. Souther, .	380 00	
	" Sarah E. Fox, . .	360 00	
South School,	" R. B. Sampson, .	21 80	
	" Lizzie C. Bates, .	152 00	
	" Myra L. Beal, . .	360 00	
Harbor School,	" Priscilla L. Collier, .	360 00	
Elm Street School,	" Lizzie C. Bates, .	228 00	
Beechwood School,	L. Webster Bates, .	450 00	
	Miss Harriet J. Nichols, .	360 00	
King Street Sch'l,	" Agnes M. Ward, .	380 00	
Jerusalem School,	" Annie Fox, . .	380 00	
North School,	Substitutes, . .	10 45	
			$5,897 25

JANITORS.

High School,	Rufus Bates, . . .	$39 50	
	Walter C. Browne, . .	26 25	
North School,	Levi Tower, . . .	36 00	
Centre School,	Paul J. Bates, . . .	18 00	
	Samuel C. Bates, . .	18 00	
South School,	Henry W. Ripley, . .	26 40	
Harbor School,	John C. Francis, . .	20 00	
Beechwood Sch'l	A. Bradford Litchfield, .	50 00	
King Street Sch'l,	Mary James, . . .	20 00	
Jerusalem Sch'l,	Teacher, ...	20 00	
			$274 15

FUEL.

High School,	Lincoln Bros., coal and wood,	$30 56	
	Tower, Bro. & Co., " "	71 75	
North School,	Tower, Bro. & Co., " "	45 99	
Centre School,	Lincoln Bros., " "	47 16	
South School,	Tower, Bro. & Co., " "	39 75	

Harbor School,	Lincoln Bros.,	" "	7 87	
	Tower, Bro. & Co.,	" "	16 05	
Beechwood Sch'l,	Tower, Bro. & Co.,	" "	46 00	
King Street Sch'l,	Lincoln Bros.,	" "	17 25	
Jerusalem Sch'l,	Lincoln Bros.,	"	27 00	
	Estate of Alden Beal,	"	3 50	
				$352 88

CLEANING.

High School,	Mrs. Barnes, floors, . .	$1 40	
	S. J. Hayden, two rooms, (Aug. and Dec.,) . .	13 50	
	S. J. Hayden, four vaults, .	6 00	
	" " cellar, . .	10 00	
North School,	Mrs. Mary Reilly, two rooms, (Aug. and Dec.,) . .	12 60	
	S. J. Hayden, two vaults, .	3 00	
Centre School,	" " two rooms, (Aug. and Dec.,) . .	12 00	
	S. J. Hayden, two vaults, .	2 50	
South School,	" " two rooms, (Aug. and Dec.,) . .	12 00	
	S. J. Hayden, two vaults, .	2 50	
Harbor School,	" " vault, . .	1 00	
	" " floors and windows, (Dec.) . . .	4 00	
	Mrs. Ann Thomas, room, (Aug.)	8 00	
Beechwood Sch'l,	A. B. Litchfield, two rooms,	10 00	
	" " stoves, .	1 00	
	J. W. Bates, 2d, two vaults,	3 00	
King Street Sch'l,	Mrs. Sarah McCormick, .	5 00	
	S. J. Hayden, vaults, .	2 00	
Jerusalem Sch'l,	S. J. Hayden, room, . .	6 50	
	" " two vaults, .	3 50	
Elm Street Sch'l,	" " " " .	2 50	
			$122 00

REPAIRS, SUPPLIES, ETC.

High School,	Allen C. Bates, supplies, .	$8 09	
	Tower, Bro. & Co., supplies, lumber, etc., . . .	13 16	

High School, (*Continued.*)	C. A. Gross & Co., supplies,	41	
	H. O. Beale, carpentering, .	16 97	
	Mrs. Joseph Nichols, washing towels, . . .	1 00	
	Frank W. Browne, chemicals,	8 86	
	Bela Stoddard, masoning, .	4 00	
	John W. Brennock, labor on flagstaff, ...	24 00	
	Charles F. Tilden, iron work, flagstaff, ...	11 86	
	A. G. Whitcomb, desks, .	18 00	
			$106 35
North School,	H. O. Beale, carpentering, .	$4 65	
	Allen C. Bates, supplies, .	3 27	
	C. A. Gross & Co., " .	10	
			$8 02
Centre School,	Allen C. Bates, supplies and plumbing, . , .	$16 63	
	A. G. Whitcomb, desks, .	11 40	
	H. O. Beale, repairs, .	2 65	
	Z. C. Small & Bro., setting glass, ...	4 00	
	D. O'Brien, moving desks, .	50	
	Tower, Bro. & Co., supplies,	36	
	C. A. Gross & Co., "	1 03	
			$36 57
South School,	Allen C. Bates, supplies and repairs, ...	$8 81	
	Z. C. Small & Bro., setting glass, ...	5 20	
			$14 01
Harbor School,	A. G. Wnitcomb, desks, .	$11 40	
	Allen C. Bates, supplies, .	2 75	
	Bela Stoddard, mason work,	1 25	
	Tower, Bro. & Co., supplies,	55	
			$15 95
Beechwood Sch'l,	A. B. Litchfield, repairs, .	$10 00	
	Allen C. Bates, supplies, .	4 03	
	Tower, Bro. & Co., supplies and lumber	4 72	
	Mrs. C. M. Wood, use of well,	2 00	
			$20 75

King Street Sch'l, Allen C. Bates, supplies and repairs,	$6 15	
H. O. Beale, repairs,	18 54	
		$24 69
Jerusalem Sch'l, C. E. West, supplies,	$7 27	
Allen C. Bates, "	3 95	
H. O. Beale, repairs,	10 33	
		$21 55
Elm Street Sch'l, Allen C. Bates, Supples,		1 95
		$249 84

RENT.

Elm Street Sch'l, Philander Bates,	$125 00	
		$125 00

INSTRUCTOR IN SINGING.

A. E. Bradford,	$300 00	
		$300 00

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

Louis P. Nash,	$600 00	
		$600 00

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE.

Mrs. J. W. Stoddard, rent, storage, and care of room,	$60 00	
Tower, Bro. & Co., supplies and fuel,	2 25	
Allen C. Bates, "	80	
		$63 05

BOOKS AND STATIONERY.

Ginn & Co.,	$93 43	
Geo. S. Perry,	209 69	
D. C. Heath & Co.,	46 59	
Wm. Ware & Co.,	43 77	
Ivison, Blakeman & Co.,	12 20	
American Book Co.,	67 10	
Weaver Print'g and Manufactur'g Co., covers,	35 60	
The Educational Supply Co.,	43 75	
Boston School Supply Co.,	18 12	
Thompson, Brown & Co.,	30 00	
A. S. Barnes & Co.,	31 50	
Houghton, Mifflin & Co.,	7 48	
Harper & Bros.,	12 15	
W. P. Adams, agent,	14 40	
Prang Educational Co.,	8 64	
Sundry bills for books and stationery,	59 65	
		$734 07

MISCELLANEOUS.

Old Colony R. R., Nantasket scholars to High School,	$68 75	
A. E. Tilden, Beechwood scholars to High School from Apr. 1, '89, to Apr. 1, '90,	312 02	
A. E. Tilden, from Apr. 1, '90, to Jan. 1, '91,	245 42	
" " South School scholars, Jan. 1 to July 1, '90,	120 00	
" " King street scholars, Jan. 1 to Apr. 1,	50 00	
" " barge and carriage hire, exhibitions, etc., 1889–90,	35 00	
A. G. Whitcomb, desks,	45 13	
A. T. Bliss & Co., printing,	4 00	
Bates & Brown, printing,	15 00	
Pratt Bros., advertising,	1 50	
H. C. Dimond & Co., stamp and pad, for books,	3 60	
Beal's Express,	28 60	
Meade, Dodge & Co., drawing instruments,	9 00	
C. F. B. Tilden, carriage hire, superin'ent of schools,	50 15	
A. B. Litchfield, truant officer,	10 00	
Henry Brennock, " "	6 50	
Boston Bank Note and Lith. Co., diplomas,	6 00	
Miss F. H. Nichols, ribbons for diplomas,	3 34	
Boston Soc'y of Natural History, minerals,	21 00	
H. O. Beale, four cases for minerals,	13 00	
G. W. Simmons & Co., guns for High School,	6 09	
G. D. Damon, collation for graduates,	18 00	
Louis N. Lincoln, services as janitor,	15 00	
Assessors of Cohasset, school census,	9 00	
Sundry bills account of High School,	2 90	
Edward F. Ripley, salary as Treasurer,	50 00	
E. P. Collier, salary as Secretary,	25 00	
Burdett Business College, diplomas,	6 25	
		$1,180 25

RECAPITULATION.

Paid for Teaching and Substitutes,	$5,897 25	
" Janitors,	274 15	
" Fuel,	352 88	
" Cleaning rooms and vaults,	122 00	
" Repairs, supplies, etc.,	249 84	
" Rent,	125 00	
" Instructor in Singing,	300 00	
" Superintendent of Schools,	600 00	
" Supt.'s office, supplies, care, etc.,	63 05	
" Books and Stationery,	734 07	
" Miscellaneous,	1,180 25	
Unexpended balance, Jan. 1, 1891,	148 44	
		$10,046 93

CREDIT.

Amount of School Appropriation,	$9,700 00	
Received from Dog Licenses, Ripley Fund, and State School Fund,	312 24	
Received from sale or Stationery,	7 00	
By balance from last year,	27 69	
		$10,046 93

EDWARD F. RIPLEY,
Treasurer School Committee.

Auditor's Report.

I have examined the several accounts of Selectmen, Treasurer, and School Committee, for the year 1890, and find as follows:

Amount of Orders drawn by the Selectmen on the Treasurer, . .		$56,501 42
Balance in Treasury, as per last Report,	$4,876 54	
Amount of Tax List for 1890, . .	27,958 12	
Received from Sundry Sources, . .	39,642 75	
		$72,477 41
Amount paid out by the Treasurer, .	$68,172 84	
Balance, in Taxes and Cash, . .	$4,304 57	
		$72,477 41
Balance of School Appropriation unexpended, as per 1889 Report of the School Committee, . . .	$27 69	
Cash rec'd from Town Treasurer in 1890,	10,012 24	
Stationery sold, ...	7 09	
		$10,046 93
Amount expended in 1890, as per bills and vouchers, ...	$9,898 49	
Cash on hand, unexpended, . .	148 44	
		$10,046 93

CALEB LOTHROP,
Auditor.

COHASSET, January 29, 1891.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

Town of Cohasset, for the Year 1890.

MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE:

—TERM EXPIRES 1893.—

EDWARD F. RIPLEY, *Chairman.* E. P. COLLIER, *Secretary*

—TERM EXPIRES 1892.—

NEWCOMB B. TOWER. E. HERBERT TOWLE.

—TERM EXPIRES 1891.—

JOSEPH S. BIGELOW.

—SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.—

LOUIS P. NASH.

REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF COHASSET,

FOR THE YEAR 1890.

TO THE CITIZENS OF COHASSET: —

We are reminded at this time that, to comply with the law, there must be given a report of the Public Schools, "which shall contain such statements and suggestions in relation to them as the Committee deem necessary and proper to promote the interests thereof." For the details of the work of our schools you are referred to the report immediately following this, of our able Superintendent, who has labored faithfully and whose good work has been made manifest by the interest taken by both teachers and pupils, and by the harmonious relations now existing in all the schools of the town.

Since the last report we have been obliged, with sincere regret, to lose from our Board the Rev. John W. Savage, who, as is well known, accepted a call to a pastorate in Bristol, N. H. The vacancy which now exists in your Committee is to be filled in March, and it is our earnest wish that the townspeople will choose, if possible, as his successor, one who may have the same deep interest in our schools and be able to render like valuable support and counsel in the varied work of the Committee.

A pleasant occasion in this year's history was the ceremony by the pupils of the High School, incident to the raising and unfurling of a beautiful American flag above the building, the gift of our respected townsman and former pupil of that school, Mr. Amos A. Lawrence.

We have to record but one change in the corps of teachers, — the loss of Mr. Arthur Stanley as principal of the High School, he having accepted in February the position of sub-master of the

Agassiz School in Boston, and the choice of Mr. E. J. Cox, principal of the Norwell High School, to fill that vacancy.

Your Committee for some years have refrained from eulogizing teachers that have been connected with the schools, or from *publicly* criticising or commending the work of any of our teachers. We can only say that we are fortunate in having some that rank well with the best teachers in this county, and that we hold them here only because they are so strongly bound by family ties.

Few repairs have been made on the different school buildings this year, as it is not yet clear how many of the buildings, except the High, Centre and Harbor, are to be vacated when the Osgood School shall be completed. We found, on examination in August, that the King Street School, which as you know was a very old dwelling re-modelled some years ago, was not, in our opinion, of enough value to warrant expending any large sum for ventilation or otherwise, and accordingly only such repairs were made as would make it inhabitable the present winter. It is a poor apology for a school-house and should never have been accepted by the Town for school purposes.

The Elm Street School building, which is very conveniently located for pupils in the Harbor district, has been unoccupied since June, Inspector Pope of the State Board of Police requiring changes in that building that the owner thought best not to make, as the term of occupancy would be, at the longest only till the central building should be completed. The other orders issued at that time by the State Inspector are held by him in abeyance, as your Committee are to include the pupils of these condemned schools in the Osgood School after September 1.

While it is not our intention to force children attending the Primary Schools in the North and South districts to attend the new school, none will be refused admittance to that building, no matter in what part of the town they may reside, and it is hoped that parents will so appreciate the superior advantages their children can have in the Osgood School as regards heat, light, ventilation and better grading, that in time nearly all the pupils from the various schools will be brought together in one body in this new building, with a competent janitor to make them comfortable and a corps of teachers whose duty it will be not only to impart knowledge to the children, but to see that the little ones are well cared for at recess and at all times.

With the exception of a very few days in winter, a fairly long walk *to and from* school is not a hardship, but a health giving exercise after being seated at the desk engaged in study. Many of our townspeople will recall the long distances travelled by them to school, especially those residing in King Street who attended the North School at the head of Jerusalem Road. In many of the towns about us, pupils walk much greater distances to their respective schools, than do ours, and we have no doubt with positive benefit as to health and scholarship. We believe however that the Beechwood and Jerusalem children should have the benefits of our High School and that our Town has voted justly and wisely in allowing the Committee to see that they are provided with proper conveyance to that school, considering their great distance from the centre of the Town.

In closing our report, we would ask that parents in every district will combine with the Committee in making our central school system, which is endorsed by the Massachusetts State Board of Education and other prominent educators in this State, as decided a success as it has now become in Concord, Mass., and other towns that have adopted it. Our townspeople will certainly have a school building of which they can be justly proud, ranking as it will with the best in any town in Massachusetts, and which is already attracting the attention of those interested in education in many of the towns about us. We certainly shall aim to make our school system one of which every parent may be deservedly proud.

Respectfully submitted,

Edward F. Ripley,
E. P. Collier,
Joseph S. Bigelow,
E. Herbert Towle,
Newcomb B. Tower.

REPORT

OF THE

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS,

FOR THE YEAR 1890.

TO THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF COHASSET:—Following are the Statistics of the Schools for the Year 1889-90:

Whole number of children in town, May 1, 1890, between 5 and 15 years of age,	304
Whole number of children in town, May 1, 1890, between 8 and 14 years of age,	180
Whole number of pupils in school between 5 and 15,	372
Whole number of pupils in school between 8 and 14,	214
Number in school over 15,	37
Total number of pupils in all schools,	409
Average membership in all schools,	353.9
Average attendance in all schools,	317.4
Per cent. of attendance,	91.2
Total income of the Public Schools,	$10,012.24
Expenditure for each child in school,	$24.48

GRADUATES FROM THE HIGH SCHOOL, 1890:

Irving Lowell Blossom,
Catherine Josephine Keefe,
William Henry Litchfield,
Alice Nichols Pratt,
Charles William Studley,
Burgess Clifford Tower.

SCHOOLS AND TEACHERS.

SCHOOLS.	TEACHERS NOW IN SERVICE.	Salary.	Boys.	Girls.	Whole No.	Av. Membership.	Av. Attendance.	Per cent. of Attendance.	Tardy.	Visits.
HIGH,	Edward J. Cox,	$1,200	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Drusilla S. Lothrop,	600	29	37	66	62.6	58.8	94.1	107	13
GRAMMAR:										
North,	Mattie P. Bates,	380	12	10	22	21.1	19.5	92.3	36	49
Centre,	Annie A. Souther,	380	19	16	35	29.8	27.3	91.2	175	26
Elm Street,	Lizzie C. Bates,	380	19	15	34	28.2	26.8	95	56	37
Beechwood,	L. Webster Bates,	450	12	7	19	16.8	15.3	85.3	20	—
PRIMARY:										
North,	Susie L. Stoddard,	360	19	17	36	24.7	22.9	92.3	27	119
Centre,	Sarah E. Fox,	360	15	22	37	36.8	31.9	86.6	52	22
South,	Myra L. Beal,	360	17	22	39	28.3	26.1	92.3	27	39
Harbor,	Priscilla L. Collier,	360	21	23	44	41.9	37.5	89.3	40	67
Beechwood,	Hattie J. Nichols,	360	16	17	33	27	25.7	95.2	63	17
MIXED:										
King Street,	Agnes M. Ward,	380	10	9	19	16.7	14.8	88.2	44	64
Jerusalem,	Annie Fox,	380	16	9	25	20	18.2	91	58	40

Our town is fortunate in the fact that there are so few changes among our teachers; nearly all of the Cohasset teachers have their homes in town, and so they can afford to stay here at a less salary than they might receive elsewhere; consequently they have been long enough in their places to have become well acquainted with the children and with the neighborhood, while the people have learned to know the teachers, and to place full trust and confidence in them. One result of this mutual good acquaintance between the teachers and the parents of the children is that there are very seldom any of those harsh and unfriendly criticisms, those misunderstandings and disagreements, which, wherever they occur, make a division of influence between the home and the school, and do serious mischief. Where there is always cordial agreement and amity between the powers at home and the powers at school, the children feel that everything works in harmony, and the result is good in every way.

I suppose that people will never realize how much work teachers do, nor how much they influence the children who are placed in their charge; but it is a pleasure to me to be able to assure the Committee and the Town that our teachers have worked hard and faithfully, and have produced results that merit praise; they have earned all the money they have received and more, but I believe that they have worked with higher motives than merely a salary. Let us once more remind the parents of the children that, as the teachers faithfully do their share of the work, so it is the duty of the parents to steadily support the schools, to keep the children every day at school, to see that they respect the teachers, and in every possible way to keep their part of the work in good shape. We are training up the men and women who shall take our places when our day is past, and it is the most important work that devolves upon this generation.

It is desirable that the people should understand, as far as possible, what we are trying to do in school, and to that end it is to be desired that the parents should visit the schools; but of course very little can be learned of the course and aim of a teacher's work, during a visit of an hour or two. Last year the course of studies was printed in this report, and now I will give a short account of the work that is being done in some special directions, dealing chiefly with the teaching in the lower schools, because as the work goes on into the upper grades and the High School, it necessarily becomes too complicated to describe here.

First, however, it should be clearly borne in mind that the course of studies is a unit, from the lowest primary grade, to the last year in the high school; that the different subjects mentioned are merely the different parts of a scheme which has always one chief object consistently in view,—namely, the *development* of the child's mind. There are persons who object to the number of studies commonly pursued in school, who do not see any use in some of the things the children study, and who say very fine-sounding things about how much better it would be to study a few things, and study them exhaustively. That sort of thing may sound well, but it does not mean very much; nothing can be studied exhaustively at school, and besides, it is our duty to give a series of exercises that shall best develop *all* the growing faculties; it makes no difference in a boy's future success in life, whether he can or cannot solve all the hard problems in the back part of the arithmetic; but it makes an immense deal of difference whether or not his mind is trained on all sides. An education that should include only the traditional "Three R's," would be pretty poor dependence in this nineteenth century; it would not go far toward helping a boy to read and understand a daily newspaper, and it would not equip him to hold his own among the people whom he would meet; in the twentieth century, for which the children now in school are preparing, such an education would leave a young man helpless; he would be trampled upon in the hard battle of life. The subjects to be studied in school, then, must be such as will give the common information that everyone will need, and they must be so taught as to train and strengthen all the powers and faculties of the mind.

Reading.

For several years after children come to school, reading means to them simply learning how to *get the thought* that is expressed on the printed page. When they read aloud, they should read with good expression; but the primary object in these years is, not good expression in reading aloud, but ease and power of understanding well when reading to one's self; and as almost all of our reading in later years will be reading to ourselves, it is vastly more important to be able to read silently, understanding and remembering what is read, than to be able to read aloud. Years ago, an immense amount of time was given to learning how

to read aloud, and the results were usually poor enough; later, not enough time has been given to it, and it will be desirable for us to lay more stress upon that particular line of work.

Most of the present generation have been taught to read according to the old Alphabet method; we spent the greater part of a year learning the letters, and then we began to put letters together to make words. But when children have been two months in our primary schools, they can read from the blackboard quite long sentences, with spirit and expression, using nearly fifty different words; and almost as fast as they learn to read words, they also learn to write them. The work of learning to read is not only very much quicker than by the old methods, but the reading is likewise better understood and better remembered; the present methods are obtained as the result of scientific study into the nature of mind and the best ways of training the understanding.

About the middle of the first year the children take their first reading book; interest is so strong in the minds of the little ones, and their power of perceiving the appearances of things is so keen, that if they are allowed to read the same lesson a few times over, they remember it; and instead of reading from the book, they will repeat from memory what is on the page; therefore they should not be called upon to read the same lessons over again, but should go on to new ones; in this way they will read the easier parts of six or eight primers.

For the next four or five years, the object is to secure facility in reading, with ease and flexibility; consequently nothing of a declamatory style should be attempted, but there should be a great abundance and variety of easy reading.

During these early years, teachers and parents should keep a sharp lookout for weak or defective sight on the part of any children. Whatever may be the cause, whether it be due to bad lighting of school rooms, to bad air, to faulty attitudes permitted by teachers, or whether indeed some part of the blame should be laid at the door of home conditions, the fact certainly is that near-sightedness, astigmatism, and other defects of the eye, are rapidly increasing among our people. Many a poor child struggles painfully along through his life at school, straining his eyes and suffering from headaches in consequence, never being able to do his work as well as the others, simply because he cannot *see* as well; and so his parents and his teachers scold him for stu-

pidity, until at last he concludes that they must be right, that he is so stupid that it is of no use to try to do anything; he gives up trying to keep up with his competitors in school, and in all the pursuits of life, and he never makes much of a success. Doubtless that is the history of many children whose powers were quite as good as the average, but who have been thus hindered in all the progress of their lives, because their sight was defective; if they had been taken to a competent oculist, and had worn proper spectacles, the whole story of their lives might have been changed for the better. One of the surprising things about this whole matter is that parents often fail to realize its importance, and even when their attention is called to the fact that there is something the matter with a child's eyes, still sometimes they neglect to seek proper advice.

As the children are learning a great number of new words, they should copy from their reading books, or write from dictation, thus learning to spell words and to use them correctly in sentences. We used to waste time sadly at school learning to spell long columns of hard words without writing them or using them in sentences of our own; the children learned to spell scores of polysyllabic vocables—words that they could not possibly use and did not understand; but when it came to writing a simple letter with correct form and good expression, they could not do it; it is much better to learn to use correctly the simple words that belong to a child's vocabulary, and let the big words wait till later years, when, if they are wanted, they may be learned.

After the sixth year of school life, the work in reading may take a somewhat different direction; fewer pieces should be read, and these should be studied with a view to reading aloud in an impressive manner; if the preceding work has been well done; this is easy, and should not take a great amount of time.

In connection with the regular work in reading comes the learning of choice extracts in prose and verse, and the speaking of pieces; if the children are required to learn, every week or every day, a few lines of good English from some respectable author, their minds will be stored with a treasure of beautiful thoughts beautifully expressed; perhaps no school exercise does more toward real culture. I believe in the old-fashioned speaking of pieces; it encourages pupils to commit to memory extracts from the best works of famous writers; it also teaches thor-

oughness in preparation, for if a boy does not absolutely know his piece he will fail before the school; to stand before the school and speak also teaches self-command. Frequently, parents ask that children may be excused from this exercise; it is hard for the child to commit a piece to memory, or when he stands before the others he stammers, and he is afraid of being laughed at; well, of course it is hard, and almost everything that is worth doing in this world is hard; to say that a thing is hard to do is not giving a sufficient reason why children should be excused from doing it; you cannot have anything worth having, unless you work hard to obtain it, and the sooner children learn that lesson, the better for them. The regular speaking of pieces should be insisted on, through all the grades.

Arithmetic.

The tendency of change during the last few years is to cut out a good deal of the work that was formerly taught in arithmetic. We have discovered that it does not pay to keep children wrestling day after day with problems which are really beyond their comprehension, and which consequently they may work out by following rules, but they cannot really master; there are many business applications of arithmetic which a man will learn in five minutes, but which a child in school will vainly struggle with, because his short and narrow experience of life has not enabled him to grasp the business relations involved; it is much better to teach in school the principles of the subject, while these more difficult applications—difficult to children—may safely be postponed to a later date, when if they are needed they will be quickly learned.

In every part of the work in arithmetic, we are doing more and more of rapid mental practice with small numbers. The training of the mind that is gained by rapid mental arithmetic work is of a narrow and special kind, but in its own field it is exceedingly valuable; besides we ought to teach pupils to use their brains—not to be weakly dependent upon pencil and paper.

Geography and History.

In these subjects our effort is, to lead the pupils away from the unthinking memorizing of what is printed in the books, to a thoughtful and intelligent study of the subjects for their own

sake, and according to a topical method. In geography, we begin with a thorough understanding of the child's own neighborhood and daily surroundings; after the pupils know geography as they see it every day with their own eyes, then they may read and study about other places, and profit by what they study; when they can draw a map of what they see from the school-house windows, then they can understand the meaning of the maps which they are set to study; in all ways it is our effort to have the pupils really comprehend all that they study, and never to have any of the dull learning of mere words.

The history of our country, including some knowledge of the government and how it is carried on, is a subject that every intelligent person must know something about; and if pupils are to gain a knowledge of history that will ever be of use to them, then the subject must be studied, not merely as the succession of events, the battles, seiges, fortunes, through which our country has passed, but it must include also the study of the relations of these events, and the causes that led to them. We want to know what was going on in the inner life of the people, how they lived and thought, and then we shall know why certain events have happened, and we shall be better able to judge wisely what is the best course to follow for the future; in short, here as elsewhere, pupils must study intelligently, taking up each point for study, and trying to find out all about it from all the means at their command,—the causes that led to it and the influences that have flowed from it. When they have done this, they know that particular topic thoroughly, in itself and in its relations to other matters; they know it in a quite different way from that which would come by memorizing the words of the text-book.

Nature Study and Language.

All the studies thus far mentioned, except the beginnings of arithmetic and geography, deal wholly with books, and what may be found in them. But in order to train all the powers of the mind we must have some work that shall develop the faculties which act upon the world about us, we must train the children to observe keenly and intelligently, and to reason justly upon what they have observed. To this end we give lessons upon animals and plants and rocks, we teach children

to notice and gather the flowers, to study the habits of trees, and birds and beasts, to observe the soil and the stones beneath their feet; this kind of knowledge is no less valuable than what is found in books, and it is no less necessary to a complete development of the faculties of the mind.

The things which the children learn, they write in the form of letters or of lessons or of essays; and their expressions being corrected by the teacher and re-written, give that almost endless drill in spelling and punctuation and the use of capital letters and the forms of words that is needful in order to learn to write our difficult language correctly. In the eighth grade, and later in the high school, the pupils study the rules of grammar, and learn the reasons why one expression is correct rather than another; but grammar is of no value unless they have first learned to use correct forms of English speech.

It is impossible here to speak of the infinite variety of expedients, of the skill and wit and practical sense, of the patience and fertility of invention, which the teacher must have always at hand, to lead the children through the successive steps of progress as here sketched, and to see that their work shall always be true mental progress; it would take a book to hold what must be said in order to treat such topics, and I am only trying to establish some common ground for understanding of the work, and sympathy in the work, on the part of parents and teachers. In the last analysis it is always to be remembered that it is our business to *teach children* and not to teach subjects; that our problem is, how to raise each child to the highest measure of mental power and attainment that is possible to him, and not to teach certain facts of arithmetic and grammar.

High School.

Having passed through the lower stages of progress the children enter the high school, there to study in the scientific fashion that belongs to this scientific age of the world. The number of pupils in our high school is much larger in proportion to the population of the town than is usually the case, and a large proportion of those who enter the school remain to complete the course. These facts are very pleasing; they seem to show, what is actually the case, that the school has done such work as to earn the confidence of the people.

The pupils of the grades below the high school are taught as children, but in the high school the style of work is different; the pupils are older now, and they should be set to study causes and to search out the relations and the uses of their studies, and in all ways they should follow such a line of work as will tend to give a broad and liberal tone to their powers of mind, such as truly belongs to the educated man or woman.

For the work done in this school as well as that of the lower grades, I bespeak the hearty confidence and coöperation of the Committee and the people. Our teachers are all faithfully doing their best, and they are producing results that merit praise; they cannot perform impossibilities, they cannot "make brains," but they are doing much to develop and strenghten the mental and moral powers with which the children have been gifted.

A report from Mr. A. E. Bradford, the supervisor of music-teaching is given below, and will serve to explain in a general way our work in that direction.

Respectfully submitted,

L. P. NASH.

To the Superintendent of Schools:—

In this my first report as Supervisor and special teacher of singing for the public schools of Cohasset, I desire to state in a general way what has been done in this department since music was made a regular branch of study, two years and a half ago, and to show how and why the work of these first years differs from that which will naturally follow in the years to come. The aim of our instruction is to teach sight singing, to develop the voice to its normal power and quality, to cultviate a good style in singing, and a taste for and appreciation of good music.

The study of music as taught in our schools, is in many respects analogous to the study of language, except that the teacher has to do for the pupils in music, much that has been done for them in language before they enter school. It would be useless to attempt to teach children to read, who have not learned to talk; and it would be equally absurd to teach the nomenclature of music to children who cannot sing. Children when they enter school have a large vocabulary at their command, they know the

use of many words and can make short sentences to express their own ideas, so the teacher begins at once to teach them to read. She has only to train the eye to recognize in the written words and sentences, that which the ear and the mind are already familiar with.

If all children could sing a variety of little songs when they enter school, much of the preparatory work that now has to be done could be dispensed with, and the work of teaching them to read music at sight could be begun at once.

When music was first introduced in the schools. there were in each grade many pupils who could not sing at all; and a portion of the work has been to give these the preparation needful to enable them to master the difficulties of time and tune, and to encourage them to do their best. The result is that there are now only eight pupils in all the schools below the high school who do not try to sing, and nearly all who try succeed in singing correctly.

The time has now come when this preparatory work is confined to the primary schools, and the grammar schools having passed this stage of progress, are qualified to give their whole attention to the art of reading music, in which they have already become somewhat proficient.

The influence of music in the school already extends to the home, and the younger brothers and sisters of the present pupils are learning from them much that now has to be taught in the school. Many a child has said to me, "My little brother (or sister) at home can sing all the songs that we have learned in school." No one can tell how far the influence of our work extends, or how far it goes towards making us a musical and music-loving people.

It is our purpose to follow, as soon as possible, a systematic course of study in singing, which shall extend from the lowest grade primary through the high school,—a course which shall be as thorough and complete as that in any other branch of education. Such a course will not be entirely established until the pupils who began the study of music in the lowest grades shall have reached the highest. It is difficult to tell just how well a school can sing, but I hope before the end of the year to give all who are interested an opportunity to hear and judge for themselves.

All of the classes know how to read music, and can sing easy music at first sight. I have just made a careful examination of

all the classes below the high school, and found in all, eight pupils who did not try to sing; twenty-two who sang out of tune; and the other three hundred and thirteen sang correctly. Those who sang out of tune were mostly very young children who have not been in school a year, and a large per cent. of them will learn to sing in tune before they leave the primary school.

The pupils have always shown a lively interest in the lessons, and I believe that order and kindly feeling has been promoted by the singing. "The singing lesson acts like a safety-valve, providing a means of escape for the child's overflow of spirits." We have had to hear at times, some discordant sounds, but nothing to my knowledge has ever occnrred to disturb the harmony of feeling that has always existed in the schools with regard to the singing.

From results already obtained under existing circumstances, we may reasonably expect, with the added advantages which the new central building will afford, to advance year by year until we shall rank in music with the best schools in the state.

It is impossible in this as in other branches to obtain satisfactory results without the co-operation of the regular teacher. The special teacher can give all necessary instruction, but the drill work, upon which success largely depends must be left to one who is with the school every day. Our teachers have seemed to realize this fact, and whatever of success has attended the work has come largely through faithfulness on their part.

ALBERT E. BRADFORD,

Supervisor of Music.

ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-SECOND

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS

OF THE

TOWN OF COHASSET

For the Year Ending December 31, 1891,

INCLUDING THE

REPORTS OF ALL OTHER TOWN OFFICERS

REQUIRED BY LAW.

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OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1891-92.

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor,

J. Q. A. LOTHROP, Chairman,	Term Expires,	March 1,	1894.
PHILANDER BATES,	"	"	March 1, 1893.
CALEB F. NICHOLS,	"	"	March 1, 1892.

Treasurer and Collector of Taxes, ABRAHAM H. TOWER.

School Committee,

EDWARD F. RIPLEY, Chairman,	Term Expires,	March 1,	1893.
E. POMEROY COLLIER, Secretary,	"	"	March 1, 1893.
JOSEPH S. BIGELOW,	"	"	March 1, 1894.
AMOS A. LAWRENCE,	"	"	March 1, 1894.
E. HERBERT TOWLE,	"	"	March 1, 1892.
NEWCOMB B. TOWER,	"	"	March 1, 1892.

Superintendent of Schools, LOUIS P. NASH.

Fire Engineers,

EDWARD E. WENTWORTH, Chief,
CHARLES A. GROSS, 1st Assistant, HENRY E. BRENNOCK, 2d Assistant,
A. BRADFORD LITCHFIELD, ABRAHAM H. TOWER, JR.,
ALSON S. RICHARDSON,
HENRY T. P. BATES, Clerk.

Forest Fire Wards,

WALDO C. LOCKE, THOMAS L. BATES, ELMER E. BATES.

Constables,

EDWARD E. WENTWORTH, JOHN ROCHE, JR., HENRY E. BRENNOCK,
FRANK F. ANTOINE, CHARLES L. KITTRELL, ABRAHAM J. ANTOINE.

Superintendent of Streets, PHILANDER BATES.

Auditor, CALEB LOTHROP.

Sealer of Weights and Measures, ALLEN C. BATES.

Auctioneers,

LOUIS N. LINCOLN, J. Q. A. LOTHROP, AARON PRATT.

Field Drivers,

LEVI L. WORRICK, EBEN S. PRATT, FRANK F. ANTOINE,
CHARLES L. KITTRELL, THOMAS LONEY.

Trustees of the Public Library,

EDWARD E. ELLMS,	Term Expires,	March 1,	1892.
LOUIS T. CUSHING,	"	"	March 1, 1892.
ABRAHAM H. TOWER,	"	"	March 1, 1892.
REV. JOSEPH OSGOOD,	"	"	March 1, 1893.
MISS SARAH SIG. PRATT,	"	"	March 1, 1893.
MISS EDITH M. BATES,	"	"	March 1, 1893.
MRS. ABRAHAM H. TOWER,	"	"	March 1, 1894.
MISS SARAH B. COLLIER,	"	"	March 1, 1894.
EDWARD F. RIPLEY,	"	"	March 1, 1894.

Measurer of Wood and Bark, MORGAN B. STETSON.

Fence Viewers,

MORGAN B. STETSON, EBEN S. PRATT, EZRA BROWN.

Surveyors of Lumber,

ABRAHAM H. TOWER, JR., ARTHUR O. HIGGINS.

Undertaker, BENJAMIN F. EVANS.

Pound Keeper, LEVI L. WORRICK.

Keeper of Lock-up, HENRY E. BRENNOCK.

Registrars of Voters,

CHARLES F. TILDEN, Chairman,	Term Expires,	May 1,	1894.
C. JAMES PRATT,	"	"	May 1, 1892.
JOHN M. DAMON,	"	"	May 1, 1893.

NEWCOMB B. TOWER, Town Clerk, *ex-officio,* Clerk of Board.

EXTRACTS FROM THE TOWN RECORDS.

At the Annual Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Cohasset, held March 2, 1891, the subject matter presented in the several articles of the warrant was acted upon as follows, viz.: —

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

Chose J. Q. A. Lothrop, Moderator.

ARTICLE 2. To act upon the reports of the Selectmen, Overseers of the Poor, Treasurer, Treasurer of the Public Library and of the School Committee, Librarian and School Committee.

All the above reports were accepted, and are printed in full in the Financial Report of the Town for 1890.

ARTICLE 3. To choose all Town Officers required by law and town by-laws.

See list of Town Officers on opposite page.

ARTICLE 4. What sums of money will the Town raise and appropriate for the payment of debt, repairs of highways, relief of poor, support of schools, public library, watering and lighting the streets, water for hydrants, support

of fire department, decorating soldiers' and sailors' graves, and for all other necessary charges and expenses for the current year.

Voted, that the sum of forty thousand eight hundred dollars ($40,800.00) be appropriated, as follows, viz.:

For Support of Schools,	$9,700 00
Support and Relief of the Poor,	5,000 00
Payment of Debt,	3,600 00
Highways and Sidewalks,	8,000 00
Cohasset and Hingham Water Companies,	1,900 00
Electric Lights,	4,600 00
Town Officers,	1,500 00
Watering Streets,	1,100 00
Payment of Interest,	1,500 00
Removing Snow,	500 00
Printing,	400 00
Fire Department,	600 00
Public Library,	500 00
G. A. R. Post,	100 00
Incidentals,	1,300 00
Military Aid,	300 00
Town Hall,	100 00
Improvement of Common,	100 00
Total, as above,	$40,800 00

Voted, that the sum of thirteen thousand eight hundred ($13,800.00) be raised by taxation the current year.

ARTICLE 5. Will the Town authorize the Treasurer to hire money, with the approval of the Selectmen, in anticipation of the taxes and other revenue, for the current year.

Voted, that the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be authorized to hire from time to time what money may be needed to pay ordinary expenses, and for building

the new road, in anticipation of the taxes for 1891, and the amounts to be received from the Commonwealth from Corporation and National Bank taxes during the current year.

ARTICLE 6. In what manner will the Town collect the taxes for the current year, and at what time shall they be paid into the treasury.

Voted, that the taxes of the Town the current year be collected in the same manner as last year, and paid into the treasury at the same time as then. Reference is made to the following vote: "The taxes assessed for the year ensuing shall be due and payable on the first day of August; and on all taxes remaining unpaid on the first day of October, interest, not exceeding seven per cent. per annum, shall be added thereto, until paid; and the taxes remaining unpaid on the tenth day of January (1892), shall be considered delinquent and subject to collection according to law. The interest accruing under this vote shall be added to and be a part of such taxes."

ARTICLE 7. To hear the report of the Selectmen on Guide-Boards, and act thereon.

Voted, that the report be accepted, which is as follows:

"All the guide-boards and posts have been painted and the boards re-lettered the past year. Guide-posts are maintained at the following places: Corners of Church and Beechwood streets; Doane and Beechwood streets; King and Beechwood streets; Beechwood and South Main streets; South Main and Summer streets; Summer and Border streets; North Main street and Jerusalem road; North Main and King streets; Forest avenue and North Main street; Jerusalem road and Forest avenue; Hull street and Jerusalem road."

ARTICLE 8. Will the Town accept the List of Jurors as prepared and posted by the Selectmen.

The list of Jurors prepared by the Selectmen was revised and accepted. The list, accepted, is as follows:

Abraham J. Antoine,	Levi Lincoln,
Elmer E. Bates.	A. Bradford Litchfield,
Edwin Bates,	Isaiah Lincoln,
Jacob F. Bates,	Caleb Nichols,
David P. Beal,	Levi L. Nichols,
George W. Beal,	James Pettee,
Isaac W. Beal,	Aaron Pratt,
Charles F. Bennett,	John L. Pratt,
Thomas D. Blossom,	C. James Pratt,
Cyrus H. Bates,	John J. A. Pratt,
William S. Bryant,	Andrew J. Souther,
Morton S. Crehore,	Morgan B. Stetson,
William E. Crocker,	William W. Studley,
Edward E. Ellms,	Israel C. Vinal,
Warren S. Gammons,	Otis S. Wilbur,
Charles Harris,	Levi L. Worrick.

ARTICLE 9. Will the Town cause the Financial Report to be printed and distributed in the month of February next.

Voted, that the Selectmen cause the Financial Report to be printed and distributed in the month of February next.

ARTICLE 10. What compensation will the Town allow the Collector of Taxes for the current year.

Voted, that the compensation of the Collector of Taxes for the current year be the same as last year, which was two hundred dollars.

ARTICLE 11. Shall licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors be granted by the Town the current year, in accordance with Chapter 100, Section 5, of the Public Statutes.

Voted in the negative by a total vote of 128, of which 56 were "Yes" and 72 were "No."

ARTICLE 12. Will the Town instruct the Selectmen to pay the Cohasset Electric Company the amount due, and the amount as it becomes due the current year, or act thereon.

Voted, that the Selectmen be instructed to pay the Cohasset Electric Company the amount due, and the amount as it becomes due the current year.

ARTICLE 13. Will the Town take any action to procure a suitable parcel of land for a Cemetery lot, or act thereon.

Voted, that a Committee of seven, consisting of the Selectmen and four persons to be appointed by the Moderator, look up a suitable piece of land for a Cemetery which it may be desirable that the Town obtain possession of, and report upon the same to the Town at a meeting to be held especially for the purpose, if necessary, before the first day of July next. The Moderator appointed on this Committee, to act with the Selectmen, Louis T. Cushing, Louis N. Lincoln, Charles A. Gross and Caleb Lothrop.

ARTICLE 14. Will the Town cause a Fountain to be erected in the square near Allen C. Bates' store, or act thereon.

Voted, that this article be passed over.

ARTICLE 15. Will the Town name the new road the "Jerusalem Road Extension," or act thereon. Also cause the record to be so changed that the street from Elm street near William H. Beal's shop to Beach street be called Highland avenue, or act thereon.

Voted, that the new road now being constructed shall not be called "Jerusalem Road Extension." Voted, that Highland Avenue be extended westward from its present terminus near the late Mrs. Laban Souther's residence, along the northerly side of the Common, to Beach street.

ARTICLE 16. To hear the report of any Committee prepared to report, and act thereon.

Osgood School Building.

The Building Committee of the Osgood School Building made a report, which was accepted by the Town. Its acceptance was made by the two following votes: First, voted, that the Town will accept the part of the report of the Building Committee of the Osgood School Building wherein they ask for additional appropriations for specified purposes, and that the sum of nine thousand dollars ($9,000.00) be appropriated. Second, voted, by a vote of 125 affirmative to 9 negative, that the part of the said report with the recommendation of the Committee be accepted, wherein they recommend that the Treasurer be authorized to hire, with the approval of the Selectmen, from time to time as may be required by said Committee, a sum of money not exceeding nine thousand dollars ($9,000.00), and that one thousand dollars of this amount so hired shall be due and payable each year until the whole is paid, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 29, Section 9, of the Public Statutes.

Flood Gates.

The Committee upon Flood Gates at Gulf Mill, reported that at a recent meeting of their Board, a sub-committee had been chosen to petition the Legislature for authority to construct a dam at said place. Upon their recommendation it was voted, that the Treasurer be authorized to hire, with the approval of the Selectmen, the sum of two thousand dollars ($2,000.00), in anticipation of the revenue for 1892, for the use of the Committee on Flood Gates in constructing the same. Their report was accepted.

Gravel Bank.

The Selectmen reported, as required to do at this time at the last annual meeting of the Town, upon the expediency of the Town purchasing a gravel bank at North Scituate. In their report they say, that having ascertained that the gravel bank in question is not composed of the best quality

of material for repairing the town highways, they do not recommend its purchase. The report was accepted.

ARTICLE 17. Will the Town authorize the Selectmen to sell and convey by proper deed the land purchased last year of the Whiton heirs, on King street, or act thereon.

Voted, that the Selectmen be authorized to sell the Whiton land on King street, and to give proper deed of conveyance in the name of the Town, provided that in their judgment a suitable price is offered for the same, and if good gravel, or a gravel bank, can be obtained at a reasonable price, near said land.

ARTICLE 18. Will the Town cause Margin street to be widened and otherwise improved from the house of the late Zenas Stoddard to Lawrence Barrett's driveway, or act thereon.

Voted, that the above matter of improving Margin street, be referred to the Superintendent of Streets.

ARTICLE 19. Will the Town vote to establish during the Fall and Winter months of this and ensuing years, a free evening school, to teach the common branches of English study.

Voted, that the Town will establish during the Fall and Winter months of this and coming years, a free evening school, to be regulated agreeably to the provisions of law.

Voted, that the sum of three hundred dollars ($300.00) be raised and appropriated for the maintenance of an evening school the coming Fall and Winter.

ARTICLE 20. Will the Town vote to make two dollars the daily wages for all laborers not engaged in mechanical trade.

Voted, that the Town will make two dollars the daily wages for all laborers employed by the Town, not engaged in mechanical trade.

ARTICLE 21. Will the Town accept the provisions of sections seventy-four, seventy-five, seventy-six and seventy-seven of the Public Statutes, and avoid the requirements of having a Superintendent of Streets, or act thereon.

By a vote taken by ballot, it was voted not to accept the above named sections of the Public Statutes whereby, if accepted, the Town would elect Road Commissioners. The vote was 80 affirmative and 135 negative.

ARTICLE 22. Will the Town choose three persons who shall constitute its Board of Road Commissioners, or act thereon.

Voted, that this article be passed over.

ARTICLE 23. Will the Town grade that part of Beechwood street commencing near the residence of Edwin G. Stewart, thence easterly to the corner near the residence of Mrs. Anderson; then from the foot of the hill near the residence of Caleb Lincoln to South Main street.

Voted, that the matter of grading portions of Beechwood street as specified in the above article, be referred to the Superintendent of Streets.

ARTICLE 24. Will the Town authorize the Selectmen to establish and maintain twelve additional electric lights on Beechwood street.

Voted, that this article be passed over.

ARTICLE 25. Will the Town cause the square in front of Edwin F. Souther's to be enclosed by a fence, or act thereon.

Voted, that the Town will cause the square in front of Edwin F. Souther's to be fenced in, and that the Committee who served on the improvement of the Common last year, namely, Abraham H. Tower, Samuel Nichols and Amos A. Lawrence, superintend the work required by this vote. Voted, that the sum of two hundred dollars, ($200.00) be raised and appropriated for the purpose.

ARTICLE 26. Will the Town accept the provisions of Sections 28 to 39, inclusive, of Chapter 35, of the Public Statutes, or act thereon.

Voted, that the Town will accept the provisions of the Sections of Chapter 35 of the Public Statutes specified in the above article.

ARTICLE 27. Will the Town instruct the Selectmen to place the Fire Department under the charge of a Board of Engineers, or act thereon.

Voted, that the Selectmen be instructed to place the Fire Department of the Town under the charge of a Board of Engineers.

ARTICLE 28. Will the Town appoint a committee to prepare a set of town by-laws, and also a design for a town seal, and present the same to a future meeting of the Town for acceptance, revision or adoption, or act thereon.

Voted that this article be passed over.

ARTICLE 29. Will the Town raise and appropriate the sum of eight hundred dollars for the purpose of raising the grade of that portion of Ripley road which passes through land formerly belonging to the estate of Dr. Pratt, or act thereon.

Voted, that this article be passed over.

ARTICLE 30. Will the Town raise and appropriate two hundred dollars to enlarge the Hook and Ladder house, or act thereon.

Voted, that the Hook and Ladder house be enlarged to better accommodate the apparatus, and that the sum of two hundred dollars, to be taken from the appropriation made for the Fire Department, be appropriated for the purpose.

ARTICLE 31. Will the Town cause a sidewalk to be built from the Hook and Ladder house to Scituate line where there is none, and repair the old one,

Voted, that the matter of a sidewalk on Border street, from the Hook and Ladder house to Scituate line, be referred to the Superintendent of Streets.

ARTICLE 32. What action will the Town take in regard to increasing the number of street lights.

Voted, that the Selectmen be instructed to increase the number of electric lights on our streets, on or before July 1, of the current year, to a number not exceeding two hundred and fifty, and place them where most needed. Voted, that the sum of fourteen hundred dollars, ($1,400.00) be raised and appropriated to pay for said lights. Also, voted, that the Selectmen be authorized to pay for said lights in the same manner as voted under Article 12.

ARTICLE 33. Will the Town cause Stockbridge street to be repaired and electric lights placed thereon.

Voted, that the matter of repairing Stockbridge street be referred to the Superintendent of Streets. Voted to pass over that portion of the above article referring to placing electric lights, previous action of the Town at this meeting making further action in the matter unnecessary.

Voted, that the thanks of the meeting be extended to the Moderator for the able and impartial manner in which he has presided over this meeting, and also to the Tellers for the faithful performance of their duties through the day.

At 4.45 o'clock, P. M., it was voted that the meeting be dissolved.

ELECTION RECORD.

NOVEMBER 3, 1891.

Rep. signifies Republican; Pro., Prohibition; S. L., Socialist Labor; Dem., Democrat; P. P., People's Party. An asterisk (*) denotes election of the candidate.

The whole number of ballots cast, 346.

GOVERNOR.

	† Total vote.	Vote of Cohasset.
Charles H. Allen, Rep., of Lowell,	151,515	192
Charles E. Kimball, Pro., of Lynn,	8,968	11
Harry W. Robinson, S. L., of Boston,	1,429	0
*William E. Russell, Dem., of Cambridge,	157,982	125
Henry Winn, P. P., of Malden,	1,749	1
Blanks,		17

† Obtained from official sources.

LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.

John W. Corcoran, Dem., of Clinton,	145,865	117
*William H. Haile, Rep., of Springfield,	157,216	191
George R. Peare, S. L., of Lynn,	1,471	0
William J. Shields, P. P., of Boston,	2,399	1
Augustus R. Smith, Pro., of Lee,	9,346	8
Blanks,		29

SECRETARY.

Joseph D. Cadle, P. P., of Westfield,	3,729	13
Elbridge Cushman, Dem., of Lakeville,	138,202	94
*William M. Olin, Rep., of Boston,	153,586	182
Alfred W. Richardson, Pro., of Springfield,	10,890	11
Edward W. Theinert, S. L., of Holyoke,	1,607	0
Blanks,		46

TREASURER AND RECEIVER-GENERAL.

Charles Friede, S. L., of Boston,	2,220	2
James S. Grinnell, Dem., of Greenfield,	138,760	104
* George A. Marden, Rep., of Lowell,	152,915	179
Samuel B. Shapleigh, Pro., of Boston,	10,454	11
Thomas A. Watson, P. P., of Braintree,	2,851	4
Blanks,		46

AUDITOR.

William O. Armstrong, Pro., of Boston,	11,707	13
* John W. Kimball, Rep., of Fitchburg,	150,697	182
Squire E. Putney, S. L., of Somerville,	2,525	0
William D. T. Trefry, Dem., of Marblehead,	137,928	104
William O. Wakefield, P. P., of Lynn,	2,859	2
Blanks,		45

ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

Wolcott Hamlin, Pro., Amherst,	10,590	11
Herbert McIntosh, P. P., of Worcester,	3,387	1
* Albert E. Pillsbury, Rep., of Boston,	151,182	180
George M. Stearns, Dem., of Chicopee,	138,865	101
James Waldock, S. L., of Boston,	1,539	0
Blanks,		53

COUNCILLOR.—First District.

Frederick A. Bradford, Dem., of New Bedford,	12,305	110
Franklyn Howland, Pro., of Acushnet,	1,856	13
*Isaac N. Keith, Rep., of Bourne,	16,670	174
Blanks,		49

CLERK OF THE COURTS.—Norfolk.

George Kempton, Pro., of Sharon,	1,195	15
*Erastus Worthington, R. & D., of Dedham,	13,805	190
Blanks,		141

COUNTY COMMISSIONER.—Norfolk.

Joshua B. Hanners, Pro., of Walpole, . .	651	13
Ira C. Hersey, Dem., of Foxborough, . .	8,253	104
*Melville P. Morrill, Rep., of Hyde Park, .	9,014	183
Blanks, ...		46

COUNTY TREASURER.—Norfolk.

George W. Dyer, Pro., of Weymouth, . .	1,146	20
*Charles H. Smith, D. & R., of Dedham, .	13,858	225
Blanks, ...		101

REGISTER OF DEEDS.—Norfolk.

*John H. Burdakin, D. & R., of Dedham, .	14,210	239
Salmon W. Squire. Pro., of Franklin, . .	918	13
Blanks, ...		94

SENATOR.—First Plymouth District.

Thomas Alden, Dem., of Duxbury, . .	3,183	116
*Francis P. Arnold, Rep., of Pembroke, .	3,750	183
Greenleaf Kilbraith, Pro., of Pembroke, .	193	9
Blanks, ...		38

REPRESENTATIVE.—Fourth Plymouth District.

*Amos A. Lawrence, Rep., of Cohasset, .	619	185
Joseph B. Lincoln, Dem., of Cohasset, . .	502	141
Isaac Tower, Pro., of Cohasset, . . .	32	5
Blanks, ...		15

Amendment to the Constitution, relative to the Qualification of Voters:

Yes, ...	144,931	109
No, ...	53,554	48
Blanks, ...		189

Amendment to the Constitution, making a majority of members a quorum in each branch of the General Court:

Yes,	152,688	112
No,	29,590	24
Blanks,		210

VOTE OF FOURTH PLYMOUTH DISTRICT FOR REPRESENTATIVE.

	Hingham.	Cohasset.	Hull.	Total.
Amos A. Lawrence, of Cohasset,	412	185	22	619
Joseph B. Lincoln, of Cohasset,	282	141	79	502
Isaac Tower, of Cohasset,	26	5	1	32
Blanks,	46	15	9	70
Total,	766	346	111	1223

FIRE RECORD, 1891.

July 1. Unoccupied dwelling belonging to heirs of George Fisher, located on North Main street, totally destroyed. Loss $100.00.

November 15. Hay shed, pig and hen pen on Stockbridge street, belonging to Mrs. Frank Antoine, partially destroyed. Loss $7.00.

December 2. Dwelling-house owned and occupied by Lorenzo W. Bates, located on South Main street, partially destroyed. Damage to building, $800.00. To contents, $250.00.

DOGS LICENSED, 1891.

Male,	136
Female,	6
Total,	142

N. B. TOWER, *Town Clerk.*

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN

OF THE EXPENDITURES AND FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE TOWN OF COHASSET, FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31ST, 1891.

Soldiers' and Sailors' Relief.

Delia Rooney and Family.

Paid B. S. Thompson, rent,	$58 50	
Philander Bates, boots and repairs,	8 10	
Dr. C. B. Bridgham, med. attend'ce,	1 00	
Town orders,	18 00	
		$85 60

Mrs. Oliver Henderson and Family.

Paid City of Newburyport, supplies,	$153 75

Isaac H. Tower and Family.

Paid B. F. Evans, undertaker,	$30 00	
Philander Bates, boots and shoes,	38 77	
		$68 77

William F. Harris and Family.

Paid City of Lowell, supplies,	$447 29

Susan Meeker.

Paid H. L. Brown, groceries,	$54 22	
Bourne & Nickerson, meat,	31 31	
John W. Bates, wood and milk,	21 85	
Lincoln Bros., coal,	16 50	
Thos. W. Whitcomb, wood,	1 25	
Caroline L. Morris, rent,	34 50	
Dr. O. H. Howe, med. attend.,	16 00	
Frank W. Browne, medicine,	2 70	
		$178 33

Isaac Phinney.

Paid Dr. O. H. Howe, med. attend.,	$21 00

John R. Colbrith.

Paid Thomas Bates, wood,	$2 75
	$957 49

State and Military Aid.

Paid Hannah F. Arnold,	$48 00	
George Arnold,	24 00	
J. Foster Doane,	48 00	
Leander W. Groce,	36 00	
Harriet J. Apts,	32 00	
Julia F. Henry,	48 00	
Alfred Haskell,	48 00	
Asahel F. Nott,	98 00	
Warren Newcomb,	54 00	
Ann M. Ripley,	40 00	
Delia Rooney,	36 00	
Robert L. Curtis,	96 00	
Daniel B. Lincoln,	120 00	
Isaac Phinney,	182 00	
Isaac H. Tower,	48 00	
Solomon J. Hayden,	16 00	
		$974 00
Amount to be reimbursed by the State,		743 00
		$231 00

State and County Tax.

Paid State Tax,	$3,600 00	
County Tax,	3,989 87	
		$7,589 87

Printing.

Paid Bates & Brown, Reports,	$192 00	
" " warrants and notices,	47 25	
Pratt Bros., advertising and notices,	2 75	
Cotton & Gould, tax books and bills,	36 65	
		$278 65

Electric Lights.

Paid Mass. Electric Engineering Co.,		$56 00	
Treasurer Cohasset Electric Co.,		5,141 67	
Tower, Bro. & Co., stakes,		87	
Philander Bates, locating lights,		6 00	
Caleb F. Nichols, " "		9 00	
			$5,213 54

Public Library.

Paid A. H. Tower, Treasurer, ... $500 00

Osgood School Building.

Paid Newcomb B. Tower, Treas. of Committee,		$20,500 00	
Guardian Insurance Co., insurance,		112 50	
Boylston " " "		56 25	
American " " "		56 25	
			$20,725 00

Abatements.

Abated from tax of 1891, ... $215 25

Town Hall.

Paid M. S. Brigham, electric lights,		$413 55	
Cohasset Electric Co., lighting,		40 55	
Lincoln Bros., wood and coal,		17 93	
Allen C. Bates, stores, etc.,		19 31	
D. W. Pratt, glazing, etc.,		2 50	
Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber, etc.,		14 74	
William T. Tilden, labor,		6 00	
Charles F. Tilden, "		7 60	
			$522 18

School Appropriation.

Paid Treasurer of School Committee, . . . $9,700 00

Evening School.

Paid Treasurer of School Committee, . . . $300 00

Henry Bryant Post G. A. R.

Paid William F. Thayer, Quartermaster, . . . $100 00

Cohasset and Hingham Water Companies.

Paid Treasurer of Cohasset Water Co., .	$1,750 00	
" " Hingham " " .	150 00	
		$1,900 00

Fire Department.

Independence Engine Company.

Paid Cohasset Clothing Store, coats, .	$48 00	
Boston Woven Hose Co., hats, .	15 00	
D. W. Pratt, lettering and varnishing,	11 76	
Manuel Jason, steward, . . .	15 00	
Allen C. Bates, oil, etc., . . .	2 22	
26 members, poll taxes, . . .	52 00	
Samuel D. Tower, repairs, . .	2 50	
Lincoln Bros., coal, . . .	1 38	
Dr. C. B. Bridgham, med. attend., .	1 00	
William H. Beal, straps, . . .	11 20	
		$160 06

HOSE COMPANY.

Paid Cohasset Clothing Store, coats,	$56 00	
Boston Woven Hose Co., hats,	17 50	
D. W. Pratt, lettering and varnishing,	13 66	
" " glazing,	75	
John J. Ainslie, steward,	23 33	
Edwin F. Souther, labor,	2 75	
Lincoln Bros., coal,	2 50	
Allen C. Bates, supplies,	2 94	
13 members, poll taxes,	26 00	
Wallace Willcutt, refreshments,	16 53	
D. Sylvester, "	6 15	
Tower, Bro. & Co., wood,	2 70	
Amos E. Tilden, team,	6 00	
Samuel D. Tower, repairs,	5 25	
Charles F. Tilden, ironwork,	6 40	
		$188 46

HOOK AND LADDER COMPANY.

Paid Cohasset Clothing Store, coats,	$48 00	
Boston Woven Hose Co., hats,	15 00	
D. W. Pratt, lettering and varnishing,	11 76	
Joseph A. Antoine, steward,	13 33	
Lincoln Bros., coal,	2 75	
Joseph Jason, team,	5 00	
Thomas L. Bates, team,	2 50	
Wallace Willcutt, refreshments,	10 93	
Tower, Bro. & Co., wood,	87	
Charles F. Tilden, ironwork,	12 50	
12 members, poll taxes,	24 00	
		$146 64

HOSE CARRIAGE, JERUSALEM ROAD.

Paid James S. Beal, rent,	$10 00	
" " " labor on hose,	3 00	
Two members, poll tax,	4 00	
		$17 00

Amount expended to May 1st, 1891,	$512 16
" paid on Fire Engineers' orders,	477 37
	$989 53

Report of Superintendent of Streets.

To the Board of Selectmen: —

Gentlemen: — The repairs of highways for 1891 have been carried on upon the same general plan as last year. All the roads have received attention in clearing the water-courses and removing the loose stones. Special repairs have been made as follows: The easterly end of Hull Street has been graded with crushed stone; also portions of Jerusalem Road, near residence of G. T. W. Braman, opposite the Hollingsworth estate, and near standpipe opposite residence of J. B. Moors. From Pleasant Beach to gravel pit of Samuel Nichols, and Nichols Avenue, quite extensive repairs were needed and made, in consequence of the carting over these roads of the gravel for the Jerusalem Road extension. The easterly end of the road through Great Swamp has been widened and the grade raised approaching the hill. The material for this work was taken from land on King Street, recently sold by the town. The westerly end of Cedar Street has been improved by blasting ledges, cutting the bushes, and gravelling the road-bed. This, with the work done last year, leaves the street in good condition for the travel it receives.

On Beechwood Street the hills have received special attention. The hills near residence of Caleb Lincoln and estate of Edward Kinsley have been improved by carting in stones at the foot, thus changing the grade, and then gravelled. The hill near the Kinsley estate and the hill west of the river were widened by blasting the ledges. A sidewalk on Border Street, from the hook and ladder house to residence of Thomas D. Blossom, has been built new where needed and gravelled. The hill on Margin Street, near the Litchfield estate, has been widened by blasting and gravelled. Summer Street, from the residence of C. H. Willard to Elisha Stetson's, has been graded with crushed stone; also the southerly end of Elm Street. Portions of South Main Street have been gravelled, near corner of Beechwood Street and near residence of C. J. Pratt. The grade of the southerly end of Ripley Road and sidewalk has been raised.

You will notice by report of amounts paid, that a part of the gravel and crushed stone was delivered by the load. This was done as the men and teams were at work upon the new road, but it was at a decreased cost to the town.

For the coming year, I would suggest that Elm Street needs special repairs; that at the junction of Atlantic Avenue and Beach Street, near the Lothrop estate, there are ledges that should be removed in order to insure safety to travellers. Also on Jerusalem Road, just south of Steep Rocks, the road should be widened to line established by the County Commissioners, to which the abutters do not object. The railing at this point is very poor and needs to be rebuilt. I would suggest that the same amount, $8,000, be recommended for highways as last year.

The following is a statement of appropriation and amounts paid for labor, teaming, crushed stone and gravel:

Amount unexpended of last year's appropriation,	$342 41
" of appropriation for 1891,	8,000 00
	$8,342 41
Amount expended, as per following account,	8,166 31
Balance,	$176 10

Paid George E. Davis, team,	$212 63
Thos. Loney, "	75 00
E. E. Ellms, "	164 80
John W. Bates, "	44 63
Waldo C. Lock, "	84 35
Amos E. Tilden, "	401 31
Lot W. Bates, "	10 50
Louis T. Cushing, "	78 75
Thomas L. Bates, "	143 63
Joseph Jason, "	217 92
Est. Alden Beal, "	259 19
Geo. W. Mealy, "	78 73
Ira B. Pratt, "	39 25
Wm. O. Souther, "	25 38
Peter C. Kimball, "	63 00
Amount carried forward,	$1,899 07

Amount brought forward,	$1,899 07
Warren Bates, team,	31 25
Manual S. Leonard, "	150 71
Caleb Lincoln, "	30 00
Horace J. Damon, "	82 22
Samuel E. Pratt, "	44 75
Joseph W. Whitcomb, "	11 50
Oliver H. Bates, "	50 87
Elmer E. Bates, "	47 63
Thomas W. Whitcomb, team,	15 75
Levi Lincoln, "	15 75
Edwin W. Bates, "	70 75
Edward E. Tower, "	52 50
Hosea Cushing, labor,	40 13
David P. Beal, "	26 00
George W. Morse, labor,	144 50
Abner Bates, "	18 00
Plummer F. Palmer, "	52 50
Thomas Reedy, "	95 00
James O'Brien, "	126 18
William St. John, "	4 00
Frank Pearson, Jr., "	34 00
Charles L. Kittrell, "	38 00
Joseph E. Gracia, "	37 50
Thomas Mulcahy, "	85 00
George E. Stetson, "	44 00
Henry Bates, "	106 50
Fred G. James, "	80 00
Samuel L. Williams, "	14 00
Manuel S. Enos, "	19 00
Ernest Valine, "	20 00
Samuel V. Hardwick, labor,	84 87
Edward S. Campbell, "	28 00
Edwin B. Studley, "	26 00
John E. F. Frates, "	18 00
Alex. W. Hayden, "	18 00
George M. Ennice, "	86 50
Manuel Silva, "	266 25
Amount carried forward,	$4,014 68

Amount brought forward,			$4,014 68
Bela Stoddard,	labor,		24 25
Asahel F. Nott,	"		3 00
Alden Bates,	"		24 00
Stephen Rielly,	"		269 50
Joseph Morris,	"		31 00
Joseph Battles,	"		12 25
Otis V. Barnes,	"		211 00
Abraham J. Antone,	"		6 50
Frank Pearson,	"		31 00
Andrew E. Taylor,	"		52 73
Michael N. Brennock,	"		4 00
Patrick Cronican,	"		17 00
Manuel P. Valine,	"		16 00
D. W. Pratt,	"		1 50
Michael Mannix,	"		20 00
Rufus H. Bates,	"		11 00
Sanford L. Damon,	"		20 00
A. B. Litchfield,	"		12 00
Foster Litchfield,	"		10 67
Frank Frates,	"		20 00
Cyrus W. Bates,	"		7 00
Joseph Grace,	"		8 00
William H. Pratt,	"		8 00
Irving Lincoln,	"		7 00
Rufus A. Bates,	"		5 00
Edwin Bates,	"		56 17
Silas D. Litchfield,	"		6 00
Alson S. Richardson,	"		84 15
Winthrop Knight,	"		28 23
Charles Knapp,	"		3 75
Philander Bates,	"		700 00
John Beale, 522 loads crushed stone,			655 50
Richard H. Priest, 52 loads gravel,			13 00
Lot W. Bates, 160	"	"	24 05
Aaron Pratt, 145	"	"	21 70
Est. G. P. Pratt, 48	"	"	7 90
Manuel Thomas, 59	"	"	11 42
Amount carried forward,			$6,458 95

Amount brought forward,	$6,458 95
John Thompson, 24 loads gravel,	6 00
Samuel Nichols, 208 " "	77 17
Edward E. Tower, 102 loads crushed stone, delivered,	178 00
Edward E. Tower, 86 loads screened gravel, delivered,	86 00
Edward E. Tower, 638 loads mixed gravel, delivered,	461 60
Edward E. Tower, 286 loads crushed stone,	357 50
" " 182 " screened gravel,	44 82
" " 763 " mixed gravel,	98 92
David W. Lewis, castings,	21 75
Charles Wilson, granite	41 64
Old Colony R. R., freight,	13 80
Tower, Bro. & Co., drain pipe, etc.,	205 98
Charles F. Tilden, smithing,	51 95
Allen C. Bates, tools, etc.,	16 01
Gross & Nichols, rendrock,	42 77
M. B. Stetson & Co., rake,	45
Daniel N. Tower, surveying,	3 00
Amount expended,	$8,166 31

Respectfully submitted,

PHILANDER BATES, *Supt.*

AMOUNT EXPENDED ON JERUSALEM ROAD EXTENSION.

Paid Estate of Alden Beal, team,	$402 50
C. F. B. Tilden, "	576 75
George E. Davis, "	418 75
Thomas Bates, "	157 50
Peter C. Kimball, "	313 75
Louis T. Cushing, "	237 50
Charles L. Kittrell, "	113 75
James McCuin, "	101 25
Amos E. Tilden, "	446 00
Amount carried forward,	$2,767 75

Amount brought forward,		$2,767 75
Levi L. Worrick,	team,	369 51
Joseph Jason,	"	318 75
W. W. Bates,	"	127 50
George W. Mealy,	"	226 25
Manuel S. Leonard,	"	82 70
Elmer E. Bates,	"	63 88
Thomas L. Bates,	"	260 00
Thomas Loney,	"	21 00
George E. Antone,	labor,	5 25
Stephen Rielly,	"	123 88
William White,	"	71 13
Richard Cadden,	"	71 07
Joseph E. Gracia,	"	103 93
Mathew Mulhern,	"	67 64
James Henry,	"	173 32
John Roche,	"	64 50
John Stone,	"	62 63
Henry Bates,	"	50 25
William St. John,	"	67 88
Joseph F. Silva,	"	159 50
Thomas Mulcahy,	"	70 63
Patrick Cronican,	"	60 00
Harry Burbank,	"	164 63
Frank F. Martin, Jr. and others,	labor,	121 95
Manuel Silva,	"	107 00
Arthur Studley,	"	26 00
John Ferriera,	"	35 87
Alex. W. Hayden,	"	94 50
Thomas Silva,	"	12 50
Antone J. Silva,	"	16 00
Amiel Studley,	"	66 00
Joseph Martin,	"	88
John E. Salvador,	"	114 62
George M. Ennice,	"	42 50
George M. Ennice, Jr.,	"	32 03
Jeremiah McCarthy,	"	52 50
John Smith,	"	77 50
Manuel E. Brazil,	"	87 75
Amount carried forward,		$6,441 18

Amount brought forward,		$6,441 18
Manuel S. Enos,	labor,	118 37
Edward Campbell,	"	104 50
Manuel P. Valine,	"	118 25
John E. F. Frates,	"	94 00
Otis V. Barnes,	"	126 37
Manuel Silva, 3rd,	"	87 00
Daniel Gillis,	"	97 00
James Dalton,	"	181 75
Manuel A. Gracia,	"	50 00
Charles Curtis,	"	56 50
Frank Pearson and others,	"	76 84
Manuel Oliver,	"	45 50
George E. Stetson,	"	9 00
Ernest Valine,	"	119 00
Charles V. Barnes,	"	127 50
John Beale, steam drill and derrick,		207 87
B. H. Andrews, iron bridge,		3,915 00
Samuel Nichols, gravel, on account,		700 00
Samuel Nichols, labor,		124 50
Peter C. Kimball, gravel,		54 60
Thomas Gracia, "		9 75
Charles F. Tilden, smithing,		186 07
Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber, etc.,		187 43
Allen C. Bates, tools,		3 92
Gross & Nichols, rendrock,		171 45
D. W. Pratt, paint,		41 00
O. E. Madden, derrick,		10 00
Charles Wilson, curbing,		39 00
Cohasset Water Co., relaying pipe, and battery,		38 20
Grenville D. Braman, legal services,		25 00
Estate of Edward Cunningham, land damage,		500 00
Charles S. Bates,	"	300 00
Caleb F. Nichols, services and expenses,		150 00
J. Q. A. Lothrop, "	"	50 00
Philander Bates, "	"	90 00
Frank M. Nichols, smithing,		111 86
James O'Brien, labor,		123 00
Joseph S. Enos, "		13 00
		$14,904 41

IMPROVEMENT OF JERUSALEM ROAD, PER ORDER OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

Widening in Front of Scott Estate.

Paid Alson S. Richardson,	labor,	$5 00
Henry Bates,	"	14 50
Andrew E. Taylor,	"	6 00
Oren R. Beal,	"	5 50
George E. Davis,	team,	7 88
		$38 88

Widening on the Ridges.

Paid John Ferriera,	labor,	$20 00
Manuel Silva, 3rd,	"	30 00
Otis V. Barnes,	"	37 00
Manuel P. Valine,	"	40 00
Manuel Silva,	"	40 00
Stephen Rielly,	"	42 00
Manuel E. Brazil,	"	40 00
Manuel S. Enos,	"	30 00
Thomas L. Bates,	team,	39 75
Joseph Jason,	"	21 00
Louis T. Cushing,	"	21 00
A. E. Tilden,	"	21 00
Warren Bates,	"	53 87
Edward E. Ellms,	"	16 25
Edward E. Tower,	"	10 50
Edward E. Tower,	152 loads of gravel,	58 27
		$520 64

Watering Streets.

Paid Hingham Water Co.,		$220 00
Estate of Alden Beal,		300 00
Charles S. Bates,		500 00
Charles F. Tilden,	pump repairs,	2 00
		$1,022 00

Removing Snow.

Paid William O. Souther,	$79 29
Thomas L. Bates,	18 75
Samuel E. Pratt,	69 37
Levi L. Worrick,	17 25
C. F. B. Tilden,	91 00
A. E. Tilden,	52 25
Estate of Alden Beal,	45 50
Hosea Cushing,	3 62
Thomas Loney,	63
Charles F. Tilden, snow plows,	43 00
	$420 66

Town Commons.

Paid A. H. Tower, Town Common,	$100 00
" " Cove Square,	200 00
	$300 00

Gates at Gulf Mill.

Paid Daniel N. Tower, survey and plans,	$45 00
Louis T. Cushing, attorney,	50 00
" " expense paid,	17 30
Fred H. Miller, advertising,	4 00
	$116 30

Town Officers.

Paid J. Q. A. Lothrop, services and expenses as Selectman and Assessor,	$264 00
Philander Bates, services and expenses as Selectman and Assessor,	267 68
Amount carried forward,	$531 68

Amount brought forward, ...	$531 68
Caleb F. Nichols, services and expenses as Selectman and Assessor, ...	260 00
Abraham H. Tower, Treasurer and Collector, .	300 00
Newcomb B. Tower, Clerk, ...	60 00
" " registrar of voters, . .	12 60
Charles F. Tilden, " " . .	12 60
C. James Pratt, " " . .	12 60
John M. Damon, " " . .	12 60
A. H. Tower, election officer, ...	5 00
C. F. Tilden, " "	5 00
Allen C. Bates, sealer of weights and measures, .	50 00
Henry Brennock, constable, ...	64 00
Orlando Curtis, "	15 00
Charles L. Kittrell, "	50 00
Abraham J. Antone, "	50 00
Frank F. Antone, "	26 50
John Roche, Jr., "	35 00
Edward E. Wentworth, "	105 60
Caleb Lothrop, Auditor, ...	20 00
	$1,628 18

Incidental Expenses.

Paid Henry Brennock, care of tramps and lockup, .	$31 00
Frank F. Antone, " " " .	13 50
Gross & Nichols, lunch for tramps, . . .	3 70
A. W. Wheeler & Co., bedding for lockup, . .	6 50
Frank F. Antone, court fees, ...	8 27
Edward E. Wentworth, "	10 79
Charles L. Kittrell, "	10 85
John W. Bates, special officer, ...	6 00
James H. Flint, Judge, fire inquest, . . .	16 00
Wiggin & Faunce, attorneys, fire inquest, .	20 00
Louis T. Cushing, attorney, " " . .	25 00
Richardson's Detective Agency, " " . .	490 50
Amount carried forward, ...	$642 11

Amount brought forward,	$642 11
J. Q. A. Lothrop, services and expenses fire inquest,	25 30
C. F. Nichols, " " "	8 00
Witness fees, fire inquest,	15 60
E. L. Burdakin, copy of Records,	20 00
Dr. O. H. Howe, vaccinating children,	4 69
" " " med. att., J. T. Murphy,	1 50
" " " return of births,	3 75
Dr. C. B. Bridgham, " "	5 25
C. F. B. Tilden, team, constables,	25 75
" " " assessors,	4 00
Herbert L. Brown, repairs on pump,	2 75
John J. A. Pratt, platform for pump,	6 75
Charles F. Tilden, ironwork,	1 00
Allen C. Bates, tin ware, etc.,	2 64
Bela Stoddard, labor and stock, lockup,	5 00
Gross & Nichols, stationery and postage,	33 67
Southward Pratt, net,	7 96
A. H. Tower, trustee, ball ground,	50 00
Beal's Express,	7 85
Bela Stoddard, labor, cemetery,	9 00
Samuel Jones, " "	6 00
Manuel P. Valine, " "	4 00
Manuel S. Leonard, team, cemetery,	3 75
Edward E. Ellms, " "	3 75
Tower, Bro. & Co., brick and lime,	6 65
" " " packing ballot-box,	1 50
Warren T. Butler, repairs "	90
Louis N. Lincoln, care of Town Hall,	14 50
Newcomb Bates, care of clock, etc.,	30 00
C. W. Sparrell, return of death,	2 00
Amos E. Tilden, horsehire, constables,	43 00
" " " Assessors,	7 75
" " " Selectmen,	74 75
G. D. Braman, services, Corp. tax,	150 00
Alfred Beal, care of gate,	82 00
Samuel D. Tower, repairing hearse,	16 50
Charles F. Tilden, " "	13 00
Amount carried forward,	$1,342 62

Amount brought forward,	$1,342 62
D. N. Tower, surveying brook,	6 75
" " " road,	10 00
Newcomb B. Tower, recording births, etc.,	32 20
" " stationery and typewriter,	15 00
Philander Bates, distributing Reports,	6 00
" " services and expenses, Board of Health,	9 00
C. F. Nichols, services and expenses, Board of Health,	5 00
	$1,426 57

Assets of the Town, January, 1892.

Due from State for State and Military Aid,	$743 00
" " for paupers,	221 50
" James Dady, for wife,	678 31
" Mendoca estate,	575 00
" O'Brien "	100 00
" Catharine Lyons estate,	338 68
" City of Gloucester,	5 00
" Enos estate,	620 00
" Morey "	450 00
" Town of Easton,	462 89
" " Hopkinton,	27 50
" State on Corporation and Bank tax, about	14,382 46
" Balance in Treasury,	4,208 74
	$22,813 08
Total debt of the Town, Dec. 31, 1891,	$64,700 00
Deduct Assets,	22,813 08
	$41,886 92
Osgood School building debt, time notes,	27,000 00
	$14,886 92

Respectfully submitted,

J. Q. A. LOTHROP,
PHILANDER BATES,
CALEB F. NICHOLS,
Selectmen of Cohasset.

REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

For the Year Ending December 31st, 1891.

Almshouse Account.

Paid Karen M. Trommer, salary,	$449	50
Karen M. Trommer, sundry bills,	6	25
Herbert L. Brown, grain and groceries,	420	06
C. F. Nichols, "	71	98
Wallace Willcutt, "	98	95
M. B. Stetson & Co., "	150	57
Gross & Nichols, grain and groceries,	154	08
David B. Tower, "	53	02
Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber and groceries,	82	92
Joseph St. John, "	3	45
Frances H. Nichols, dry goods,	48	32
Wm. F. Thayer & Son, meat,	131	01
Bourne & Nickerson, "	152	54
Lincoln Bros., coal,	101	91
Allen C. Bates, tin ware, etc ,	62	36
Philander Bates, boots and shoes,	12	53
Cohasset Clothing Store, clothing,	46	05
Manuel Silva, fish,	10	29
D. P. Sylvester, fish,	67	45
C. F. Tilden, smithing, etc.,	18	25
E. E. Wentworth, smithing, etc.,	9	75
Thomas Roche, " "	21	15
Samuel D. Tower, repairs,	4	25
W. H. Beal, "	4	50
Mass. Ploughman,	4	00
Amount carried forward,	$2,185	14

Amount brought forward,	$2,185 14	
Newcomb Bates, paper,	6 25	
C. F. B. Tilden, horse,	125 00	
C. F. B. Tilden, team,	3 25	
Dr. O. H. Howe, medical att.,	32 00	
Dr. C. B. Bridgham, medical att.,	38 00	
Frank W. Browne, medicine, etc.,	87 93	
B. F. Evans, undertaker,	20 00	
A. Bradford Litchfield, grave,	5 00	
Seaverns & Spear, castings,	2 10	
Frank Flint, labor,	4 38	
Edwin G. Stewart, poultry, seed, etc.,	10 30	
Beal's Express,	8 95	
S. G. James, horse hire,	11 50	
A. E. Tilden, "	56 00	
Wm. H. H. Hancock, glasses,	3 00	
Wm. O. Souther, team,	39 50	
Wm. O. Souther, ice,	27 05	
Overseer's services,	94 40	
		$2,759 75

Amount Received from Sales and Income.

Rec'd Gross & Nichols, eggs,	14 88	
W. F. Thayer & Son, butter and eggs,	30 52	
Charles H. Trommer, board,	52 50	
Samuel G. James, bull,	15 00	
S. S. Spaulding, fowl,	4 00	
Samuel G. James, hay,	6 50	
H. L. Brown, bags,	9 80	
Bourne & Nickerson, hide and chickens,	7 20	
C. F. Nichols, fowl,	5 00	
Wm. O. Souther, hay,	5 40	
Philander Bates, potatoes,	12 00	
B. F. Morse, "	4 80	
A. H. Tower, trustee,	180 00	
		$347 60
Debit brought forward,	$2,759 75	
Credit " "	347 60	
Almshouse debtor to balance,		$2,412 15

The following persons have been inmates of the Almshouse during the year 1891:

Elizabeth Hudson,	William C. Hayden,
Augusta Silva,	Antone George,
Jane B. Lambert,	Philip Sullivan,
Jane C. White,	John L. Morey,
Mary Hayden,	William Hayden,
Louisa Loney,	Robert Williams,

John J. Lothrop, boarder.

PARTIAL SUPPORT OF PERSONS OUTSIDE OF ALMSHOUSE.

Paid Taunton Lunatic Hospital:		
Joanna Colbrith, . . .	$169 46	
William Kilburn, . . .	93 32	
Laura Studley, ...	139 75	
Jane C. White, ...	124 88	
John F. Murphy, . . .	7 00	
Westborough Insane Hospital:		
Catherine Lyons, . . .	193 59	
Julia Macomber, . . .	174 50	
Worcester Asylum, Elizabeth J. Dady,	170 46	
State of Massachusetts, George B. Williams, ...	109 20	
		$1,182 16

John E. Groce.

Paid Orders on Treasurer, . . .	$156 00

Mary L. McGrath and child.

Paid Orders on Treasurer, . . .	$60 00	
Dr. C. B. Bridgham, med. att., .	13 00	
		$73 00

Mary E. Martin and child.

Paid Orders on Treasurer, . . .	$5 00

John V. Silva.

Paid Dr. O. H. Howe, med. att.,		$70 00	
Frank W. Browne, medicine,		3 30	
B. F. Evans, undertaker,		15 00	
Manuel Silva, nursing,		59 87	
			$148 17

Louis Ney and two children.

Paid Herbert L. Brown, supplies,		$89 85	
Thomas W. Whitcomb, rent,		36 00	
Lincoln Bros., coal,		12 50	
Tower, Bro. & Co., coal,		16 00	
Dr. C. B. Bridgham, med. att.		3 00	
			$157 35

Joseph E. Smith and two children.

Paid Lot W. Bates, rent,		$40 00	
Philander Bates, boots,		8 00	
F. W. Browne, medicine,		1 00	
			$49 00

Mrs. Morris, Mrs. Burbank and one child.

Paid Lot W. Bates, rent,		$40 00	
H. L. Brown, supplies,		135 49	
Bourne & Nickerson, meat,		26 34	
Samuel E. Pratt, milk,		16 00	
Lincoln Bros., coal,		24 25	
Isaiah Lincoln, wood,		16 00	
Dr. O. H. Howe, med. att.,		60 00	
Order on Treasurer,		15 00	
			$333 08

Mary Martin.

Paid Joseph E. Frates, rent,		$40 00	

Henry T. Silva.

Paid A. J. Antone, nursing,		$3 00	
Antone Vargos, "		16 00	
Joseph Morris, "		8 00	
Dr. C. B. Bridgham, med. att.,		15 00	
			$42 00

Mary F. Dean and five children.

Paid Lot W. Bates, rent,		$40 00	
H. L. Brown, supplies,		167 09	
Dr. O. H. Howe, med att.,		88 00	
Frank W. Browne, medicine,		7 75	
Lincoln Bros., coal,		22 75	
Edwin Bates, wood,		22 88	
Cohasset Clothing Store,		10 00	
Tower, Bro. & Co. coal,		8 50	
Philander Bates, boots,		7 35	
Bourne & Nickerson, meat,		29 82	
Samuel E. Pratt, milk,		34 40	
Addie Morris, washing,		13 00	
Susanna D. Taylor, washing,		6 50	
Belinda J. Ainslie, "		4 00	
Litchfield's Express, stove lining,		85	
			$462 89

Joseph J. Silva, 2nd, wife and three children.

Paid H. L. Brown, supplies,		$44 74	
Wm. F. Thayer & Son, meat,		6 79	
			$51 53

Henry L. Bates, wife and five children.

Paid R. W. Killum, supplies,		$96 38	
Cohasset Clothing Store,		9 00	
			$105 38

Annie McDonald.

Paid Dr. O. H. Howe, med. att.,			$15 00

John Tyrer and wife.

Paid Gross & Nichols, supplies,		$141 86	
Dr. C. B. Bridgham, med. att.,		107 00	
			$248 86

Caroline Silva.

Paid Dr. C. B. Bridgham, med. att.,			$97 50

William H. Litchfield, wife and four children.

Paid H. E. Webb, supplies,	$69 75	
Lincoln Bros., coal and wood,	33 50	
Philander Bates, boots,	4 25	
		$107 50

Southward Pratt.

Paid B. S. Thompson, rent,	$48 00

James St. John.

Paid Heirs of J. O. Lawrence, rent,	$40 00

Mrs. Frank Bielar.

Paid Drs. Spalding & Spalding, med. att.,	$242 00	
Dr. O. H. Howe, "	60 00	
L. M. Nolan, nursing,	150 00	
Abigail K. Souther, nursing,	45 00	
Carrie F. Lincoln, "	23 58	
Mrs. Chas. H. Litchfield, nursing,	5 00	
Robert L. Curtis, "	12 50	
Robert L. Curtis, horse hire for nurses,	6 50	
		$544 58

Louisa Loney.

Paid City of Boston, Almshouse,	$23 57	
Beal's Express, paid storage,	8 00	
		$31 57

Alvira Bliss.

Paid Elmer E. Bates, moving furniture, etc.,	$10 00	
Amos E. Tilden, team to Taunton,	$17 50	
		$27 50

William Kilburn case.

Paid Louis T. Cushing, attorney,	$10 00	
Louis T. Cushing, expense serving warrant,	12 50	
		$22 50

Paid J. Q. A. Lothrop, services and expenses,	$64 00	
Philander Bates, services and expenses,	30 00	
Caleb F. Nichols, services and expenses,	30 00	
		$124 00

AMOUNT TO BE REIMBURSED TO THE TOWN.

City of Gloucester,	$5 00	
Catherine Lyons Est.,	193 59	
James Dady,	170 46	
Town of Easton,	462 89	
Rent and sale of O'Brien house,	105 25	
Joseph S. Enos, int. on Enos Est.,	18 60	
State of Massachusetts, estimated.	221 50	
Town of Hopkinton,	27 50	
		$1,204 79

Amount paid Almshouse account,	$2,759 75	
" " Outside relief,	4,112 57	
" " Soldiers' and Sailors' relief,	957 49	
		$7,829 81

Amount of Credit, Almshouse,	$347 60	
" " " Outside,	1,204 79	
		$1,552 39

Amount of Almshouse and Outside expense,	$6,872 32	
Deduct Credit,	1,552 39	
		$5,319 93
Amount of Soldiers' and Sailors' relief,		957 49
		$6,277 42

Respectfully submitted,

J. Q. A. LOTHROP,
PHILANDER BATES,
CALEB F. NICHOLS,
Overseers of the Poor of Cohasset.

REPORT

OF THE

TOWN TREASURER.

Dr. Town of Cohasset in Account with

1891–1892.

To paid	Selectmen's Orders drawn to date,	$66,902 66
	State and Military Aid,	974 00
	School Teaching, Fuel and repairs of School-houses, per Town's Appropriation,	9,700 00
	Additional items on School Account,	299 82
	Assessors' Orders for Abatements,	215 25
	Bounty on tail of one seal killed,	1 00
	Commonwealth of Massachusetts Tax, 1891,	3,600 00
	County of Norfolk Tax, 1891,	3,989 87
	Cohasset Savings Bank, demand notes for 1890 in full,	20,000 00
	" " " hired money in 1891, including $3,000 for Osgood School-house,	12,900 00
	Maverick National Bank, hired money,	5,000 00
	Interest on Town's Notes, 1891,	2,255 68
		$125,838 28
Balance in Treasury, carried to credit new account,		4,208 74
		$130,047 02

Cohasset, January, 1892.

Abraham H. Tower, Treasurer. Cr.

1891–1892.

By balance in Treasury, from former account,		$4,304 57
Received Corporation Tax, 1890, additional,		11,869 85
Corporation Tax, 1891,		7,398 23
National Bank Tax, 1891,		1,895 15
Military Aid, 1891,		723 00
State Pauper, 1891,		168 17
Income Mass. School Fund, 1890,		20 21
Norfolk County, Dog Licenses, 1890,		239 21
" " Bounty on Seal's tail,		1 00
City of Gloucester, supplies, 1890,		75 00
Cohasset Mutual Fire Ins. Co., rent, 1891,		60 00
Louis N. Lincoln, income Town Hall,		42 00
" " from sale of lamp post and lamps,		24 00
Lincoln, Lothrop & Pratt, Auctioneer's license, 1891,		6 00
Sale of O'Brien house, Border street, on account,		101 00
Sale of land at King street, to S. S. Spaulding,		1,100 00
District Court of East Norfolk, fines, fees, etc.,		34 50
Military Aid order, 1890, unpaid,		8 00
Manuel Sylvia, 2d, on account Note and interest,		54 90
Joseph S. Enos, six months' interest,		18 60
Interest from Ripley Fund, 1891,		40 40
Interest on Bank Deposits and Delinquent Taxes,		148 50
A. H. Tower, Trustee, support of J. J. Lothrop at Alms House, 1891,		180 00
Sundry persons, Sales at Alms House,		162 60
Maverick National Bank, hired money,		5,000 00
Cohasset Savings Bank, " "		45,900 00
Cohasset Savings Bank, for Osgood School-house,		27,000 00
Amount of Tax List for 1891,		23,472 13
		$130,047 02

ABRAHAM H. TOWER, *Treasurer.*

Indebtedness of the Town.

JANUARY, 1892.

DEMAND NOTES.

Martha T. Bates, ...	$1,000 00	
A. H. Tower, Trustee Lothrop heirs, .	3,700 00	
Cohasset Savings Bank, eight notes, .	33,000 00	
		$37,700 00

Time Notes dated Jan. 1, 1892, at 4¾ per cent.:

Cohasset Savings Bank, due 1893, . .	$3,000 00	
" " " " 1894, . .	3,000 00	
" " " " 1895, . .	3,000 00	
" " " " 1896, . .	3,000 00	
" " " " 1897, . .	3,000 00	
" " " " 1898, . .	3,000 00	
" " " " 1899, . .	3,000 00	
" " " " 1900, . .	3,000 00	
" " " " 1901, . .	3,000 00	
		27,000 00
Total interest bearing debt, . . .		$64,700 00

Town of Cohasset in Account with the School Committee.

1891. *Dr.*

TEACHERS.

High School,	Edward J. Cox,	$720	00	
	C. F. Jacobs,	450	00	
	Miss D. S. Lothrop,	180	00	
	" C. M. Whitcomb,	69	00	
	" Gertrude M. Gleason,	307	50	
	" Annie N. Keene,	187	50	
North Primary,	" Susie L. Stoddard,	358	50	
North Grammar,	" Mattie P. Bates,	228	00	
Centre Grammar,	" Annie A. Souther,	228	00	
Centre Primary,	" Sarah E. Fox	216	00	
South Primary,	" Myra L. Beal,	216	00	
South Grammar,	" Lizzie C. Bates,	228	00	
Harbor Primary,	" Priscilla L. Collier,	216	00	
Beechwood Prim'y,	" Harriet J. Nichols,	292	00	
	" Sarah E. Fox,	66	50	
Beechwood Gram'r,	L. Webster Bates,	270	00	
	Miss Sarah E. Fox,	76	00	
	" Luella B. Cogswell,	76	00	
King St. School,	" Agnes M. Ward,	228	00	
	" L. Emma Nichols,	114	00	
	" Lottie A. Hood,	28	50	
Jerusalem School,	" Annie Fox,	370	50	
High, South Grammar and Jerusalem, Substitutes,		109	00	
Osgood School,	Miss Annie A. Souther,	142	50	
	" Mattie P. Bates,	142	50	
	" Lizzie C. Bates,	142	50	
	" Priscilla L. Collier,	142	50	
	" Myra L. Beal,	142	50	
	" Harriet J. Nichols,	66	50	
				$6,014 00

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

Louis P. Nash,	$630	00	
			$630 00

INSTRUCTOR IN SINGING.

A. E. Bradford, ...	$317 50		
			$317 50

JANITORS.

High School,	Rufus Bates, . . .	$42 50	
	Walter C. Browne, . .	10 00	
North School,	Levi Tower, . . .	32 85	
Centre School,	Paul and Samuel Bates, .	21 60	
South School,	Henry W. Ripley, . .	23 10	
Harbor School,	John E. Francis, . .	12 00	
Beechwood Sch'l,	A. Bradford Litchfield, .	50 50	
King Street Sch'l,	Mary James, . . .	19 50	
Jerusalem Sch'l,	Teacher, ...	23 25	
Osgood School,	L. Webster Bates, . .	190 00	
			$425 30

FUEL.

High School,	Lincoln Bros., wood, . .	$2 25	
	Tower, Bro. & Co., coal, .	8 90	
North School,	Lincoln Bros., coal and wood,	17 25	
Centre School,	Lincoln Bros., coal, . .	6 50	
South School,	Lincoln Bros., coal and wood,	22 55	
	Tower, Bro. & Co., coal, .	10 14	
Harbor School,	Tower, Bro. & Co., wood, .	63	
Beechwood Sch'l,	Tower, Bro. & Co., coal, .	34 02	
King Street Sch'l,	Tower, Bro. & Co., coal, .	6 60	
	Lincoln Bros., coal and wood,	10 85	
Jerusalem Sch'l,	Lincoln Bros., wood, . .	8 00	
	Lincoln Bros., coal and wood,	19 25	
Osgood School,	Lincoln Bros., "	164 75	
	Tower, Bro. & Co., "	164 75	
			$476 44

CLEANING.

High School,	S. J. Hayden, four vaults,	$6 00	
Centre School,	" " vault, .	2 50	
North School,	" " " .	3 00	
Amount carried forward, ...		$11 50	

Amount brought forward, ...		$11 50	
North School,	Mrs. Riley, room, Aug. and Dec., ...	7 50	
South School,	S. J. Hayden, vault, .	2 50	
	" " room, .	6 00	
Beechwood Sch'l,	A. B. Litchfield, two rooms,	12 00	
	J. W. Bates, vault, . .	3 00	
King Street Sch'l,	Mrs. Sarah McCormick, .	5 00	
	S. J. Hayden, vault, . .	2 00	
Jerusalem Sch'l,	" " room, . .	6 50	
	" " vault, . .	3 50	
			$59 50

REPAIRS, SUPPLIES, ETC.

High School,	John J. Lincoln, repairs, etc.,	$12 50	
	Mrs. Nichols, washing towels,	1 50	
	Allen C. Bates, supplies, .	3 48	
	Frank W. Browne, chemicals,	15 88	
	Bela Stoddard, repairs, .	3 50	
	W. H. H. Hancock, repairing clock, . . .	75	
			$37 61
North School,	Allen C. Bates, supplies, .	$4 80	
	Edw. E. Tower, gravel, .	3 00	
	H. O. Beale, carpentering,	15 86	
			$23 66
Centre School,	Allen C. Bates, supplies, .	$3 90	
	John J. Lincoln, carpentering,	5 00	
	Caleb S. Beal, work on clock,	50	
			$9 40
Harbor School,	Allen C. Bates, supplies, .	$1 00	
	D. W. Pratt, setting glass,	1 90	
			$2 90
South School,	Allen C. Bates, supplies, .	$4 66	
	Wm. T. Tilden, labor on curtains, etc., . .	2 00	
	John J. Lincoln, repairs, .	4 50	
	Z. C. Small, setting glass,	2 40	
			$13 56

Beechwood Sch'l,	Allen C. Bates, supplies, .	$5 70	
	A. B. Litchfield, curtains, .	3 50	
	" " repairs, .	5 65	
	W. H. H. Hancock, repairing clocks, . . .	3 50	
	Z. C. Small, painting, .	70 70	
	Mrs. Ellen G. Wood, use of well, ...	2 00	
			$91 05
King Street Sch'l,	Allen C. Bates, supplies, .	$1 17	
	Z. C. Small, setting glass,	2 00	
	T. A. Bates, repairs, .	75	
			$3 92
Jerusalem Sch'l,	C. E. West, supplies, .	$7 14	
	Allen C. Bates, repair of stoves, ...	6 00	
	H. O. Beale, curtains, carpentering, etc., . .	27 37	
			$40 51
Osgood School,	Allen C. Bates, supplies, .	$32 56	
	Geo. S. Perry, mats, .	15 12	
	John J. Lincoln, carpentering,	47 62	
	D. W. Pratt, painting, .	8 34	
	F. M. Ripley, laboratory, .	253 24	
	Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber and supplies, . . .	31 21	
	Educational Supply Co., chemicals, . . .	46 16	
	Cohasset Electric Co., lighting, Sept. to Jan., . .	20 00	
	Clarence Studley, labor on books, ...	1 44	
			$455 69
			$678 30

Books and Stationery.

American Book Co.,	$54 54	
Ginn & Co.,	55 48	
Geo. S. Perry, stationery,	132 93	
D. C. Heath & Co.,	54 50	
Leach, Shewell & Sanborn,	19 80	
Wm. Ware & Co.,	30 30	
Thompson, Brown & Co.,	24 25	
Williams & Rogers,	7 20	
Houghton, Mifflin & Co.,	5 10	
Silver, Burdett & Co.,	10 58	
J. B. Lippincott & Co.,	4 80	
E. H. Butler & Co.,	3 84	
Sundry bills for books and stationery,	25 03	
		$428 35

Superintendent's Office.

Mrs. J. W. Stoddard, rent, etc., to Sept. 1,	$46 00	
Mrs. St. John, cleaning,	1 36	
Tower, Bro. & Co., supplies,	2 65	
		$50 01

Evening School.

A. T. Bliss & Co., printing,	$2 00	
C. F. Jacobs, teaching,	63 00	
L. W. Bates, "	31 50	
M. H. Ballou, "	13 50	
L. W. Bates, care of room,	6 00	
Cohasset Electric Co., lighting,	25 00	
M. S. Brigham, electric fixtures,	65 00	
A. G. Whitcomb, desks,	64 00	
		$270 00

MISCELLANEOUS.

C. F. B. Tilden, carriage hire Supt., moving furniture, desks and supplies,	$111	77
A. T. Bliss & Co., printing,	9	50
Geo. B. Watson, "	6	25
Bates & Brown, "	10	00
Old Colony R. R., Nantasket scholars to High School,	54	95
A. E. Tilden, King street pupils to High School, three months,	75	00
" " South Primary pupils to Osgood School, three months,	90	00
" " Beechwood pupils to High School,	334	81
A. B. Litchfield, truant officer,	6	50
A. H. Prouty, " "	10	00
Louis N. Lincoln, services as janitor,	14	00
Burdett Business College, work on diplomas,	18	75
Boston Bank Note and Lith. Co., diplomas,	15	00
Beal's Express,	19	80
Edw. F. Ripley, salary as Treasurer,	50	00
E. P. Collier, salary as Secretary,	25	00
Derby & Kilmer Desk Co., furniture,	144	00
Assessors of Cohasset, school census,	9	00
W. W. Wade, tuning High School piano,	5	00
Temple Quartette, Osgood School dedication,	44	00
Rev. J. W. Savage, trav. expenses, "	5	00
Sundry bills, account of High School Exhibition,	22	00
Miss F. H. Nichols, ribbons for diplomas and supplies,	6	01
A. E. Tilden, horse and wagon,	1	50
		$1,087 84

RECAPITULATION.

Paid Teachers and Substitutes,	$6,014 00	
" Superintendent of Schools,	630 00	
" Instructor in Singing,	317 50	
" Janitors,	425 30	
" for Fuel,	476 44	
" " Cleaning,	59 50	
" " Repairs and Supplies,	678 30	
" " Books and Stationery,	428 35	
" " Superintendent's office,	50 01	
" " Evening School,	270 00	
" " Miscellaneous,	1,087 84	
Unexpended balance, Jan. 1, 1892,	11 02	
		$10,448 26

CREDIT.

Amount of School Appropriation,	$9,700 00	
" appropriated for Evening School,	300 00	
Received from State School Fund,	20 21	
" " Dog Licenses,	239 21	
" " Ripley Fund (interest),	40 40	
By balance from last year,	148 44	
		$10,448 26

EDWARD F. RIPLEY,
Treasurer School Committee.

Report of the Osgood School Building Committee.

The Osgood School Building Committee presents to the Town the following Financial Report: —

RESOURCES.

The Town's appropriation, March 10, 1890,	$20,000 00
" " " 2, 1891,	9,000 00
Net proceeds from sale of old buildings, fences, etc.,	46 30
Amount advanced by Treasurer of Committee,	10 27
Total amount made available,	$29,056 57

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid for preliminary work upon cellar, drain-pipe, grading, building driveway, etc., as follows:

Paid Nathaniel R. Prouty,	labor,	$14 00
Isaac L. Morey,	"	12 25
Laurence Mulhane,	"	29 75
George E. Stetson,	"	19 69
Frank Pierson, Jr.,	"	24 50
William St. John,	"	20 13
George M. Ennice,	"	6 63
William J. McNamara,	"	25 34
Michael N. Brennock,	"	10 50
Manuel P. Valine,	"	2 00
Frank Sylvia,	"	29 75
Manuel S. Enos,	"	3 50
John Gillis,	"	58 19
George W. Morse,	"	59 50
Cyrus Litchfield,	"	18 81
Plummer F. Palmer,	"	5 25
Anthony O. Frates,	"	17 06
Frank F. Frates,	"	20 12
Spencer H. Stoughton,	" by two men,	20 13
Amount carried forward,		$397 10

Amount brought forward, labor, ...	$397	01
Joseph Morris, "	53	37
Charles Bushnell, "	10	50
John W. Frates, "	46	81
Frank Pierson, "	32	81
Joseph Avellar, "	22	90
John E. Salvador, "	49	44
Ernest Valine, "	15	31
Alexander W. Hayden, "	106	32
William C. Williams, "	1	75
Charles Curtis, "	57	31
James O'Brien, "	78	31
Samuel L. Williams, "	50	31
Samuel V. Hardwick, "	105	44
Joseph Jason, man and team, ...	76	12
Edward E. Tower, men, teams, gravel, edge-stones, etc., ...	785	64
Charles V. Barnes, blasting ledge, . . .	3	00
Charles F. Tilden, sharpening tools, etc., . .	40	80
Daniel N. Tower, for men furnished, . . .	142	60
Gross & Nichols, rendrock, etc., . . .	4	57
Joseph Battles, filing saws, ...	1	00
M. B. Stetson & Co., grass seed, . . .	3	39
Daniel N. Tower, engineering and plans, . .	41	50
Tower, Bro. & Co., drain-pipe, ...	506	89
" " " barrows, etc., . . .	45	30
Reuben T. Woodward, expenses, . . .	5	00
Charles Wilson, Quincy, for granite edge-stones,	24	36
John J. Lincoln, supervision, ...	225	00
Total, ...	$2,932	85

CELLAR.

Paid Beale & Beale, excavation and stone-work, .	$1,480	35
Patrick Downes, special work on stones, . .	25	00
H. O. Beale, pattern, ...	2	10
Total, ...	$1,507	45

THE BUILDING.

Paid Frank M. Ripley, contractor, for construction of building, as per contract, including extras,	$19,836 96
John J. Lincoln, labor and supervision,	225 00
Abraham Lincoln, mason work,	8 75
Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber, etc.,	97 72
Ziba C. Small, paint stock and labor,	20 40
Yale & Towne Manfg. Co., hardware,	311 89
John E. Francis, cleaning glass,	45 00
Whidden Bros., expenses,	5 00
William Hall, figures and tags,	6 19
George S. Perry, slate blackboards,	618 98
Spencer H. Stoughton, tinting walls, etc.,	125 51
Total,	$21,301 40

FENCING.

Paid Tower, Bro. & Co., stock for fence,	$187 91
Robert B. Pratt, carpenter, labor,	22 00
Wm. T. Tilden, " "	20 62
Harry W. Lincoln, painting,	12 25
Total,	$242 78

(The cost of setting posts, etc., are included in the first items of disbursements in this report)

MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid Fuller & Warren Warming and Ventilating Co.,	$1,295 00
M. S. Bridgham, electric fixtures,	194 00
E. L. & F. S. Rollins, window shades,	138 12
Edward Nichols, architect,	1,300 00
Edward F. Ripley, travelling expenses,	2 20
Paine's Furniture Co., table, chairs, etc.,	42 55
Cohasset Water Co., service pipe, etc.,	57 19
Charles A. Gross, postage stamps,	6 00
E. Pomeroy Collier, advertising,	22 38
A. T. Bliss & Co., circulars,	6 25
John H. Burdakin, copy from records,	4 00
Bates & Brown, notices,	1 50
N. B. Tower, stationery and stamps,	2 90
Total,	$3,072 09

RECAPITULATION.

Paid for preliminary work, drain-pipe, grading, etc.,	$2,932 85
" Cellar,	1,507 45
" the Building,	21,301 40
" Fencing,	242 78
" Miscellaneous,	3,072 09
Total amount paid,	$29,056 57

The following amounts are still unpaid, for the payment of which the Town is asked to provide means at the next annual meeting, viz.:

Balance due Fuller & Warren Warming and Ventilating Co.,	$1,295 00
Amount due A. G. Whitcomb, school-room furniture,	1,113 87
" " Simpson Bros., asphalt work in cellar,	375 00
" " Edward E. Tower, gravel dressing,	88 37
" " C. F. B. Tilden, teaming and freight paid,	26 05
" " for expenses of Committee as per circular issued in July, 1890,	16 70
" " N. B. Tower, for services rendered,	100 00
" " " " amount advanced,	10 27
Total amount of deficiency,	$3,025 26

Respectfully submitted,

NEWCOMB B. TOWER,
E. P. COLLIER,
EDWARD F. RIPLEY,
JOSEPH S. BIGELOW,
AARON PRATT,
JOSEPH OSGOOD,
E. H. TOWLE,
JOHN J. LINCOLN,
ABRAHAM LINCOLN,
I. P. EGAN,

Building Committee.

COHASSET, February 1, 1892.

I have examined the report of the Osgood School Building Committee, and find it correct and properly vouched.

CALEB LOTHROP, *Auditor.*

February 1, 1892.

Financial Report of the Board of Engineers.

During the eight months ending Dec. 31, 1891, we have drawn orders for the payment of bills as follows:

ENGINEERS' DEPARTMENT.

Paid Bates & Brown, printing Rules and Regulations,	$15 00	
" " printing stationery, blanks, etc.,	12 00	
C. A. Twitchell, seven Engineers' badges,	7 75	
Newcomb Bates, blank books and stationery,	1 80	
B. F. Evans, framing Rules and Regulations,	6 40	
Boston Woven Hose Co., five copper bottom lanterns,	22 50	
Thomas L. Bates, team for Chief at Colbrith house fire,	2 00	
Henry T. P. Bates, postage.	1 16	
		$68 61

ENGINE ONE.

Paid Caleb F. B. Tilden, horses to Colbrith house fire,	$4 00	
" " " horses to fire at Point,	3 00	
" " " horses to fire at Beach Island,	3 00	
" " " horses to fire at L. W. Bates',	4 50	
Boston Woven Hose Co., repairing Siamese,	4 00	
" " " repairing hose,	50	
" " " six spanner belts,	5 00	
" " " one doz. spanners,	6 00	
Amount carried forward,	$30 00	

Amount brought forward, ...	$30 00	
Paid Tower, Bro. & Co., brass polish, . .	1 00	
Beal's Express, hose to Boston and return,	80	
Allen C. Bates, supplies, . . .	4 67	
Wm. H. Beal, leather and hose straps, .	4 50	
D. W. Pratt, setting glass, . . .	1 00	
Gross & Nichols, supplies and refreshments,	7 92	
Manuel Jason, steward's salary, 4 months,	10 00	
James Sweeney, " " 4 " .	10 00	
		$69 89

ZACCHEUS RICH HOSE ONE.

Paid Cohasset Water Co., repairing water pipe,	$1 00	
John J. Ainslie, steward's salary, 8 mos.,	26 67	
Tower, Bro. & Co., wood and supplies,	8 47	
Charles F. Tilden, iron work, . .	2 95	
Allen C. Bates, funnel and elbow, .	85	
D. W. Pratt, stock and labor, painting and repairing doors of house, . .	7 64	
Amos E. Tilden, horses to fire at Colbrith house, . . .	5 00	
" " horses to fire at Beach Island, . . .	5 00	
" " wagon to North Scituate and return, . .	3 00	
Wallace Willcutt, refreshments, . .	72	
" " supplies, . . .	1 00	
Gross & Nichols, refreshments, Colbrith house fire, ...	3 27	
		$65 57

HOSE TWO.

Paid Caleb F. B. Tilden, horse and buggy, inspection, ...	$2 00	
Amos E. Tilden, horse and barge, inspection, ...	2 50	
Boston Woven Hose Co., two hydrant gates, ...	19 00	
		$23 50

HOOK AND LADDER ONE.

Paid Joseph Jason, horses to fire, Colbrith house,	$4 00	
" " horses to fire at Point,	75	
" " horses to fire at Beach Island,	3 00	
" " horses to fire at L. W. Bates',	75	
" " truck to North Scituate and return,	1 50	
Amos E. Tilden, horses to fire at Point,	5 00	
" " horses to fire at L. W. Bates',	5 00	
" " sand and carting,	1 50	
Joseph A. Antoine, steward's salary, 8 months,	13 33	
Charles F. Tilden, iron work,	2 05	
D. W. Pratt, setting glass,	60	
Wallace Willcutt, oil,	42	
Gross & Nichols, refreshments, Colbrith fire,	2 89	
		$40 79

ENLARGEMENT OF HOOK AND LADDER BUILDING.

Paid Henry Brennock and C. F. Bennett, labor,	$73 00	
Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber and hardware,	53 88	
John J. Lincoln, labor,	10 50	
Spencer H. Stoughton, labor,	13 88	
Allen C. Bates, tinning roof,	21 70	
D. W. Pratt, painting and paint stock,	7 89	
		$180 85

MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid Caleb F. B. Tilden, carting freight, extinguisher,	$0 25	
Old Colony R. R. Co., freight on extinguisher,	25	
Boston Woven Hose Co., repairing extinguisher,	15 00	
Boston Woven Hose Co., charges for extinguisher,	5 00	
Beal's Express, oysters and expressing on same,	2 65	
Gross & Nichols, refreshments, L. W. Bates' fire,	7 01	
		$30 16
Total of Orders drawn to Dec. 31, 1891,		$479 37

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY T. P. BATES,
Clerk of the Board.

Annual Report of the Cohasset Free Public Library.

With two exceptions, the Library opened every library day during the year. In that time the number of books issued was 7,933; the largest delivery being on March 7, of 152 books, and the smallest on June 17, of 18 books.

There are registered to date 1,551 borrowers.

Number of books added the past year: by donation 40 volumes; by purchase, 144 volumes; by binding, 59 volumes.

Entire number of volumes in the Library, including pamphlets, 5,050.

Gifts of books have been received from Miss Hincks, Mr. Waldo Higginson, Mr. W. C. Burrage, Mr. B. C. Clarke, Mr. Warren Tower, Mr. J. G. Vassar, Mr. James Eddy, Mr. A. H. Tower, the Insurance Companies of Hartford, Conn., The Bostonian Society, State and Government.

Classification of reading the past year:

History and Biography,	375
Travels and Geography,	302
Science and Art,	37
Literature and Poetry,	159
Magazines,	1,622
Fiction,	5,403
Religion,	19
Agriculture,	16
	7,933

SARAH B. COLLIER, *Librarian.*

COHASSET, January, 1892.

DR. COHASSET FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY in Account with A. H. TOWER, Treasurer. CR.

1891–1892.		1891–1892.	
To paid for Electric Light Fixtures,	$85 00	By balance from 1890 account,	$230 41
Z. C. Small, glazing.	75	received from sale of catalogues,	3 36
Beal's Express bill,	5 20	" from sale of cards,	5 75
Allen C. Bates' bill,	6 98	" from fines,	18 75
Tower, Bro. & Co., coal and wood,	8 50	" Town's appropriation, 1891,	500 00
Cohasset Electric Co., lights,	15 00		
M. A. Stoddard, book,	2 75		
Estes & Lauriat's account,	333 22		
Sarah B. Collier, for Janitor,	14 00		
" " Librarian's salary,	150 00		
Librarian's expenditures,	2 02		
Balance in Treasury, to new account,	134 85		
	$758 27		$758 27

COHASSET, January, 1892.

A. H. TOWER, *Treasurer.*

EXPENDITURES ON

Town Common and Cove Square,

BY COMMITTEE ON IMPROVEMENT.

Paid Cyrus R. Keene, bill of trees,	$ 4 50	
Tower, Bro. & Co., fertilizer, etc.,	13 25	
Charles Wilson, stone cutting,	41 16	
Patrick Cronican, labor,	8 00	
John Donovan, labor,	54 00	
Excess of Appropriation at Cove Square,	11 45	
Balance unexpended,	70 53	
		$202 89
By balance of appropriation of 1890,	$102 89	
Town's appropriation of 1891,	100 00	
		$202 89

Cove Square.

Paid M. P. Valine & Son, labor,	$ 24 00	
James O'Brien, labor,	15 00	
William J. McNamara, labor,	14 00	
George E. Stetson, labor,	2 00	
Joseph Jason, carting loam,	5 00	
E. E. Tower, gravel and loam,	107 85	
Bliss Brothers, galvanized chain,	19 08	
Railroad, freight and cartage,	1 00	
Edwin Souther, work on posts,	6 25	
Joseph Battles, " "	6 25	
S. D. Tower, painting posts,	4 25	
C. F. Tilden, drills, etc.,	80	
Tower, Bro. & Co., sundries,	5 97	
		$211 45
By amount of appropriation,	$200 00	
Excess charged Common account,	11 45	

The posts and a portion of the chain were left from the Common in 1890, and no account made.

A. H. TOWER,
A. A. LAWRENCE,
SAMUEL NICHOLS. } *Committee.*

Amount of Expenditures.

For Soldiers' and Sailors' Relief,	$ 957 49	
State and Military Aid,	974 00	
State Tax,	3,600 00	
County Tax,	3,989 87	
Printing,	278 65	
Electric Lights,	5,213 54	
Public Library,	500 00	
Osgood School Building,	20,725 00	
Abatements,	215 25	
Town Hall,	522 18	
School Appropriation,	9,700 00	
Evening School,	300 00	
Henry Bryant Post,	100 00	
Cohasset and Hingham Water Co.'s	1,900 00	
Fire Department,	989 53	
Highways,	8,166 31	
Jerusalem Road extension,	14,904 41	
Widening Jerusalem Road,	559 52	
Watering streets,	1,022 00	
Removing snow,	420 66	
Town Commons,	300 00	
Gates at Gulf Mill,	116 30	
Town Officers,	1,628 18	
Incidentals,	1,426 57	
Support and Relief of Poor,	6,872 32	
		$85,381 78

Table of Aggregates.

Valuation of Real Estate, 1890,	$2,208,554
Valuation of Personal Estate, 1890,	1,551,784
	$3,760,328
Valuation of Real Estate. 1891,	$2,308.866
Valuation of Personal Estate, 1891,	1,589,047
Total Valuation, 1891,	$3,897,913

Increase of Real Estate, 1891, ...	$100,312
Increase of Personal Estate, 1891 . . .	37,263
Total Increase, 1891, ...	$137,575
Number of Polls, 1891, ...	627
State Tax, 1891, ...	$3,600 00
County Tax, 1891, ...	3,989 87
Town Grant, 1891, ...	15,700 00
Overlayings, 1891, ...	182 26
Total Tax, 1891, ...	$23,472 13
Rate per cent. on $1,000, ...	$5 70
Number of Dwellings assessed, 1891, . .	573
" Acres " " . .	5,958
" Persons, " " . .	1,010
" " " on property, 1891,	714
" " " poll tax, "	296
" Horses, "	343
" Cows, "	352
" Neat Cattle, "	90
" Swine, "	63

Amounts estimated by the Selectmen as required to meet the expenses of the Town for the ensuing year:

For Payment of Debt, ...	$3,000 00
Support of Schools, ...	10,500 00
Support and Relief of Poor, . . .	5,000 00
Soldiers' and Sailors' Relief, . . .	1,000 00
Highways and Sidewalks, ...	8,000 00
Cohasset and Hingham Water Co's, . .	1,900 00
Electric Lights, ...	5,000 00
Amount carried forward, ...	$34,400 00

Amount brought forward,	$34,400 00
Town Officers,	1,500 00
Watering Streets,	1,100 00
Payment of Interest,	3,000 00
Removing Snow,	500 00
Printing,	300 00
Fire Department,	700 00
Public Library,	500 00
G. A. R. Post,	100 00
Incidentals,	1,000 00
Military Aid,	250 00
Town Hall,	150 00
	$43,500 00

The amount to be raised by taxation may be determined at the Annual meeting.

List of Jurors

Drawn During the Year Ending December 31, 1891.

February,	George W. Kimball,	Supreme Judicial Court.
March 23,	Otis S. Wilbur,	Grand Juror.
"	John J. A. Pratt,	Superior Court.
April 24,	Waldo C. Locke,	" "
September 3,	William E. Crocker,	" "
September 20,	John L. Pratt,	" "
December 4,	Isaiah Lincoln,	" "
December 26,	Isaac W. Beal,	" "

List of Jurors

To be revised and accepted by the Town at the Annual Meeting to be held March 7, 1892.

Abraham J. Antone,
Elmer E. Bates,
Edwin Bates,
Cyrus H. Bates,
David P. Beal,
George W. Beal.
James S. Beal,
Charles F. Bennett,
Thomas D. Blossom,
Charles P. Bourne,
Morton S. Crehore,
George W. Collier,
John M. Damon,
Edward E. Ellms,
Manuel S. Enos,
Warren S. Gammons,
Charles Harris,
Levi Lincoln,
A. Bradford Litchfield,
Caleb J. Nichols,
Levi L. Nichols,
Ezekiel L. James,
James Pettee,
C. James Pratt,
Eben S. Pratt,
Samuel E. Pratt,
William H. Reed,
John Roche, Jr.,
Andrew J. Souther,
William W. Studley,
Newcomb B. Tower,
Walter S. Tower,
Israel C. Vinal,
Levi L. Worrick.

J. Q. A. LOTHROP,
PHILANDER BATES,
CALEB F. NICHOLS,
} *Selectmen of Cohasset.*

Auditor's Report.

I have examined the several accounts of Selectmen, Superintendent of Streets, School Committee, Fire Engineers and Treasurer, and find as follows:

Balance from last year's report,	$ 4,304 57	
Amount of Tax List for 1891,	23,472 13	
Sundry receipts,	24,370 32	
Hired money,	77,900 00	
		$130,047 02

Amount of Selectmen's orders,	$85,381 78	
Paid hired money,	37,900 00	
Sundry payments of interest, etc.,	2,556 50	
Balance in cash and unpaid taxes,	4,208 74	
		$130,047 02

Amount expended for schools,	$10,437 24
" " on highways,	8,725 83
" " on new road,	6,093 68
" " by Fire Engineers,	479 37

CALEB LOTHROP,
Auditor.

COHASSET, January 29, 1892.

LIST OF
MARRIAGES, BIRTHS AND DEATHS,
Registered in Cohasset, during the Year 1891.

PREPARED BY THE TOWN CLERK.

MARRIAGES.

Date.	NAMES.	Residence.	Where and by whom Married.
Feb. 21	James O. Van Buskirk...	Hingham.....	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.
	Effie C. Taylor	Cohasset	
" 24	James A. Holland.....	Hull..... ...	Married in Cohasset by Alfred Beal, Esq., Just. of Peace.
	Nellie G. Morris...	"	
May 2	Harry H. White.....	Cohasset	Married at Somerville by Rev. George W. Durell.
	Alice M. Williams	Somerville	
" 2	Isaac Phinney	Cohasset	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.
	Emily (Newcomb) Arnold	"	
June 17	James E. Cooper.....	Natick.....	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.
	Carrie W. Burdick.....	"	
" 18	Adolph Neuendorff.....	Whitest'e, NY.	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.
	GeorgineV.Januschowsky	"	
July 18	Joseph S. Sanborn.... ...	Abington.....	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.
	Mary P. (Underhay) Shaw	Rockland.....	
" 27	John H. Wilbur.....	Cohasset	Married at Hingham by Rev Edward C. Hood.
	Carrie B. Morse.....	"	
Aug. 26	Thomas A. Tower.....	Cohasset	Married at Scituate by Rev. T. Richard Peed.
	Mary M. McCloud.....	"	
" 29	Thomas F. Kinsley.....	Cohasset	Married in Cohasset by Rev. I. P. Egan.
	Emma L. Locke	"	
Sept. 9	Arthur C. Beal.....	Hingham.....	Married at Hingham by Rev. J. H. McDonald.
	Grace Burton.....	Cohasset	
" 13	George H. Bates.....	Scituate.....	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.
	Mary E. (Fratus) Martin..	"	
" 28	Porter Souther.....	Hingham.....	Married at Hingham by Rev. Henry A. Miles.
	Eva Tower.....	Cohasset.....	
Oct. 1	Harry S. Parker.....	Cohasset	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.
	Edith Y. Gross.....	"	
Nov. 3	John S. Spurr.....	Cohasset	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.
	Nellie E. M. Turpel.....	"	
" 5	Harry C. Bates.....	Cohasset	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.
	Charlotte E. Augustus....	Hull	
" 8	Francis Beal.....	Cohasset	Married at No. Cohasset by Rev. E. C. Strout.
	Hannah B. Battles.....	"	
" 18	T. Albert Brennock.....	Cohasset	Married at Weymouth by Rev. J. J. Murphy.
	Margaret L. Martin.....	Weymouth ...	
" 24	Michael Coyne.....	Cohasset	Married in Cohasset by Rev. I. P. Egan.
	Catharine Keenan.....	"	
" 25	John Fleming.....	Cohasset	Married at So. Boston by Rev. N. J. Merritt.
	Delia E. Kelley.....	Boston..... ...	
" 26	Edward E. Edson.....	Scituate.....	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.
	Lillian L. Herbert.....	"	

Twenty-one marriages were recorded in Cohasset during the year 1891, as per list.

BIRTHS.—1891.

Date.	NAME OF CHILD.	Parents' Name.	Mother's M. N.	Place of Birth.
Jan. 15	Ella Louise Bates	John W. and Mary J	Litchfield	Beechwood St.
" 30	Thomas Joseph Keating	John and Margaret	McDonough	Pleasant St.
Feb. 3	Annie Julia Peter	Antoine and Julia	Frates	So. Main St.
" 4	Gertrude Tower Nichols	Edward and Ella G	Tower	Ripley Road.
" 6	Mary Ellen Mannix	Michael and Deborah	Moriarty	Border St.
" 18	Philip Martin Coyne	Michael and Mary	Mortimer	Highland Ave.
" 21	Jennie Maria Bates	Elmer E. and Myra E	Bates	Beechwood St.
Mar. 3	Henry Francis Holland	James W. and Annie	McNeil	No. Main St.
" 21	Anna Louise Rich	Thomas A. and Mary A	Wellman	Elm St.
Apr. 5	Dorothy Billings Thayer	Willie F. and GeorgiannaW.	Gardner	No Main St.
" 7	Mary Frances Grassie	Joseph E. and Mary A	Riley	Spring St.
" 11	Elsie Elizabeth Valine	Manuel P. and Sarah	Antoine	Stockbr'ge St.
May 11	Ezekiel James	Ezekiel L. and Nellie G	Bates	King St.
" 16	Joseph Henry Wilson	Joseph H. and Julia C. M	Henry	Smith place.
June 5	Mary Elizabeth Sullivan	Daniel and Mary A	Viguer	James' lane.
" 7	Ellery Sidney	Antoine J. and Josephine	Frates	Jerusalem Rd.
" 8	Laura Cushman Thomas	Arthur C. and Julia E	Krollman	So. Main St.
" 11	George Ernest Roche	John, Jr. and Mary H	Murphy	No. Main St.
" 11	Harry Wilson Ainslie	George W. and Belinda J	Arnold	Beechwood St.
" 18	Jessie Ellen Sewell	Dummer and Caroline	Bates	Beechwood St.
" 19	Jennie May Collier	Edmund P. and Ella B	Sargent	Highland Ave.
" 25	John Edward Donovan	Daniel and Mary	McCarthy	Spring St.
July 6	Charles Eugene Nott	Charles E. and Clara M	Small	Pleasant St.
" 15	Richard Collier	George W. and Fannie P	Osgood	No. Main St.
" 18	Mary Ellen Ainslie	John J. and Mary	McCarty	Summer St.
Aug. 6	Annie Beatrice Van Buskirk	James O. and Effie C	Taylor	Church St.
" 26	Sarah Louise Westgate	Charles F. and Catharine H.	Vinal	Elm St.
Sept. 9	Dorothy Howe	George R. and Lydia K	Lowe	Beach St.
" 15	Ernest Robert Mealy	George W. and Charlotte O.	Snow	Beechwood St.
" 16	Gordon Clarke	Fred'ic W. and Charlotte T.	Sharp	Jerusalem Rd.
" 29	Hazel Adelaide Davis	George E. and Margaret A.	Bero	Hull St.
Oct. 11	George Alfred Henry	William F. and Mary A	Grassie	Border St.
" 19	Samuel William Dean	William and Jessie	McDonald.	Margin St.
" 19	Irene Margaret Thayer	Samuel N. and Margaret	Cusick	No. Main St.
" 27	Clarence Richard McMahon	Henry L. and Jane E	Rafferty	So. Main St.
Nov. 7	Charles Augustus Mitchell	Frank A. and Phœbe	Frates	Doane St.
" 21	Gorham Lincoln Bates	John and Minnie E	Thayer	No. Main St.
" 21	Rubie Ellen Bates	Cyrus W. and Lena M	Graves	Beechwood St.
Dec. 11	Roberta Francis Kinsley	Thomas F. and Emma L	Locke	King St.
" 15	Manuel Ignatius Antoine	Charles V. and Nellie C	Francis	Stockbr'ge St.
" 24	Annie Fratis	Louis and Mary	Scott	Doane St.

Forty-one names of children born in Cohasset during 1891, of which nineteen are males and twenty-two are females, are in the above list. Their parentage is as follows:

American father and mother,	24
Foreign father and mother,	8
American father and foreign mother,	6
American mother and foreign father,	3

DEATHS.—1891.

Date.	NAMES.	Age. Y.	M.	D.	Cause of Death.	Place of Death.
Jan. 1	Robert Y. Beal	46	6	..	Laryng'l Phthisis.	Jerusalem Road.
" 14	James Collier	77	5	8	Debility fol. sh. fv.	Highland Ave.
" 27	Zaccheus Rich	76	1	3	Heart Disease	Highland Ave.
Feb. 8	Robert Williams	91	..	..	Old Age	Almshouse.
" 23	[3]Jose Ignacio De Faria	84	11	16	Broncho Pneumo.	Border St.
Mar. 9	Ephraim M. Couillard	55	1	..	Meningo Cerebri's	King St.
" 22	[2]Martha (Patterson) Davis	77	5	8	Conges. of Lungs.	No. Main St.
" 26	Dama (Stockbridge) Bates	80	7	..	Pneumonia	Beechwood St.
April 3	Ezekiel B. Studley	73	7	4	Heart Disease	Elm St.
" 13	Mary O. (Gross) Stetson.	68	8	28	Pneumonia	Snow Place.
" 17	[3]Mary A. (Mortimer) Coyne	25	1	..	Uraemia	Highland Ave.
May 11	George W. Fuller	53	..	..	Pulmon. Phthisis.	Beechwood St.
June 21	Martha B. Bates	77	5	2	Central Paralysis.	So. Main St.
" 26	John V. Silvia	34	10	26	Pulmon. Phthisis.	Church St.
July 9	[4]Elmira Rice	88	5	9	Fracture of Hip	Jerusalem Road.
" 9	Willie R. Tower	18	10	..	Accid'al Shooting.	Elm St.
" 20	[1]Elizabeth Antoine	4	3	20	Croup's Diphth'ia.	Beechwood St.
Aug. 6	[1]Marga't B. (Studley) Veale	58	..	..	Obstruc'n Bowels.	So. Main St.
" 16	[3]Charles E. Rooney	..	2	16	Inflam. Diarrhœa.	Summer St.
" 19	Hattie E. Ainslie	2	2	..	Scalds	Beechwood St.
" 22	[5]Annie McDonald	20	2	..	Acute Phthisis	Stockbridge St.
" 26	Harry W. Ainslie	..	2	14	Cholera Infantum.	Beechwood St.
Sept. 4	Silas Bates	78	3	..	Heart Disease	Beechwood St.
" 15	[1]Mary J. (Perry) Silvia	65	..	..	Cancer of Lung	Border St.
" 16	Gordon Clarke	..	..	1	Asthenia	Jerusalem Road.
" 29	[3]John E. Donovan	..	3	3	Broncho Pneumo.	Spring St.
Oct. 3	[1]Ellery Sidney	..	3	27	Cholera Infantum.	Jerusalem Road.
" 5	Jane (Worrick) Stoddard	89	8	1	Atomy of Stoma'h	So. Main St.
" 13	Sarah (Bates) Lincoln	81	9	..	Old Age	So. Main St.
" 24	[6]Miranda P. (Child) Smith	61	10	..	Paralysis of Heart.	Elm St.
Nov. 12	Anna M. (Lincoln) Ripley	59	9	..	Heart Disease	Hull St.
" 16	William W. Apts	36	4	..	Phthisis	Church St.
" 27	Mary B. (Tower) Hayden.	79	6	..	Chron. Diarrhœa.	Almshouse.
Dec. 26	Charles A. Cousens	59	3	24	Gastro Duodenitis	Elm St.
" 29	Blanche G. Bogues	20	1	..	Phthisis	Beechwood St.
" 30	[1]Antonio J. Grassie	15	..	14	La Grippe	Border St.

1. Buried at Scituate.
2. " " Beverly.
3. " " Hingham.
4. Buried at Groton.
5. " " Mt. Calvary Cemetery.
6. " " Mt. Auburn "

Of the thirty-six persons who died in this town during 1891, nineteen were males and seventeen were females; and the average age 48 years 11 months 3 days. Twenty of the number were born in Cohasset, nine in other parts of this state, two in other states of the Union, and five in foreign countries.

The following were brought for burial to this town:

DEATHS.—1891.

Date.	NAMES.	Age. Y.	M.	D.	Cause of Death.	Place of Death.
Feb. 22	Martha P. Powers	83	2	16	Paresis	Boston.
Mar. 20	Lawrence P. Barrett	52	11	..	Pneumonia	New York City.
June 10	Timothy W. Brown	83	10	..	Apoplexy	Scituate.
Nov. 27	[1]Catherine (Cronican) Lyons	74	..	..	Senile Dementia	Westboro'.
Dec. 16	Marion Gannett Litchfi'ld	2	3	12	Pneumonia	Ashmont.

[1] Taken to Quincy for burial.

N. B. TOWER, *Town Clerk.*

REPORT

OF THE

BOARD OF ENGINEERS

OF THE

COHASSET

FIRE DEPARTMENT,

MAY 1 TO DECEMBER 31, 1891.

BOARD OF ENGINEERS.

1891-92.

EDWARD E. WENTWORTH, Chief.

CHARLES A. GROSS, First Assistant.

HENRY E. BRENNOCK, Second Assistant.

HENRY T. P. BATES, Clerk of the Board.

ABRAHAM H. TOWER, JR., A. BRADFORD LITCHFIELD, ALSON S. RICHARDSON.

AUDITING COMMITTEE,

Charles A. Gross, Abraham H. Tower, Jr.

COMPANIES AND APPARATUS.

ENGINE ONE.

Junction South Main and Elm Streets. Hand Engine, with Hose Reel carrying 500 feet. Twenty men. James Denithorne, foreman; M. Henry Sweeney, clerk.

HOOK AND LADDER ONE.

Border Street, opposite Summer. Ladder Truck, eight ladders, and hooks. Twelve men. George Jason, foreman; Frank F. Martin, Jr., clerk.

ZACCHEUS RICH HOSE ONE.

Border Street, opposite Summer. Hose Wagon, carrying 1000 feet. Thirteen men. Harry E. Mapes, foreman; Thomas A. Rich, clerk.

HOSE TWO.

Corner Jerusalem Road and Hull Street. Hose Reel, carrying 500 feet. Four men. James S. Beal, foreman.

Report of the Board of Engineers.

To the Citizens of Cohasset:

In presenting our first report to the town it seems but proper that we should give a general review of the organization of our Board and of the work we have accomplished up to the present time.

At the annual meeting of the town held last March, it was voted that the Selectmen be instructed to place the Fire Department in charge of a Board of Engineers. In compliance with the requirements of that vote the Board of Selectmen, at its regular monthly meeting held on the eighth day of April last, appointed the persons named on the title page of this report to constitute the Board of Engineers of the Cohasset Fire Department, for the term of one year from the first day of May, 1891.

In obedience to instructions from the Board of Selectmen, we met at the Selectmen's room in the Town House, on the evening of Thursday, April 30, at 7.30 o'clock, and organized in accordance with the requirements of Chapter 35, Section 30, of the Public Statutes, by the election of the officers enumerated on the title page above referred to.

On assuming charge of the Department we considered it for the best interests of the town to practically reorganize the companies attached to the various pieces of apparatus and we therefore immediately organized new companies, selecting, in so doing, those members of the old companies whom we considered best fitted for the service, and sifting out those whom advanced age and various other causes rendered of practically little advantage to the Department. Having made these selections the old companies were immediately disbanded by order of the Board and the new companies were placed in charge of the apparatus.

At our first meeting we adopted such rules and regulations for the Department as we deemed requisite to the existing necessities. With these rules and regulations we invite the citizens generally to become familiar; copies of the same may be found at the various Department houses and at stores in the different sections of the town. We feel that the cheerful compliance with these rules which has been noticeable on the part of the various companies has added materially to the efficiency of the Department.

Owing to the fact that the Selectmen had been obliged to encroach largely upon the town's appropriation for the Department, for the payment of bills contracted as a result of the incendiary fires of Christmas morning of the previous year, we found, upon assuming charge of the Department, only a very meagre portion of that appropriation available for our use during the remainder of the year. We have, therefore, been obliged to use the utmost economy in our administration of the Department affairs and have labored diligently to confine our expenditures within the bounds of the appropriation. That we have not quite succeeded in this effort must be attributed to the fact that there are almost always, and have been in our case, emergencies wherein expenditures were obligatory, even if not welcome to the Board.

In accordance with a vote of the town, we have caused to be built an addition to the Hook and Ladder building at the Harbor, of sufficient dimensions to allow ample room for the storage of the truck, allowing it to stand in the house in condition for immediate use at all times.

In the matter of other improvements, we have during our control of the Department caused the Hook and Ladder truck and the wagon of the Zaccheus Rich Hose company to be painted and varnished, a work which had become positively necessary for the proper preservation of the wood work thereon. Not having at our command the necessary funds for the payment of the bills for this work at the time

it was performed, we arranged with the contractor, Chief Wentworth, to withhold the bills until after Jan. 1, 1892, in order that they may be paid out of the Department's appropriation for 1892.

At the request of the Company of Hose 1, the Board has voted to change the name of that company to the "Zaccheus Rich Hose Company, No. 1," in memory of the gentleman through whose efforts the wagon and company were made a part of the Department, and who had been connected with the Department from the time of its organization until his death.

During the eight months of our stewardship many matters have been brought to our attention which the proper protection of the property of our citizens would seem to indicate demand the immediate attention of the voters of the town.

The first and most important, perhaps, of these matters, is the better protection of the property in the outlying districts of the town. The Beechwood district is entirely without fire protection of any kind and the members of the present Board would hardly wish to be held responsible for the great amount of destruction which might be wrought by fire in that section before any of the apparatus from the centre of the town could possibly reach there.

We are unanimous in the opinion that early steps should be taken by the town toward placing and maintaining either a hand fire engine or a hook and ladder truck and outfit in the Beechwood district. In view of the fact that the hand engine now located in the centre of the town is seldom needed in that section it would perhaps prove advisable to transfer that piece of apparatus to the Beechwood district, and replace it in the Centre by a single-tank chemical engine, which can be secured at an expense of from $500 to $800, according to size. It might, however, prove more economical to transfer Hook and Ladder 1, now located at the Harbor, to the Beechwood district, and replace it at the

Harbor by a larger and more substantial truck. Should either of these suggestions be adopted we believe that a suitable piece of land could be secured in the Beechwood district, and a building for the apparatus erected thereon, at a total cost of not over $800.

At our December meeting we received a petition of which the following is a copy, viz.:

COHASSET, Nov. 2, 1891.

To the Board of Engineers of the Cohasset Fire Department:

Gentlemen:—"The undersigned, residents and tax payers of the Town of Cohasset, residing upon the Jerusalem Road or Hull street, respectively represent to your honorable Board that the protection against fire provided by the town to property in our section of the town, is entirely inadequate to the demands which a fire of any serious proportions would put upon it; and we would, therefore, respectfully request that in your forthcoming report to the town, at the close of the present year, you will recommend and request the town to provide at its next annual meeting for the improvement of the fire service in this section by providing for at least ten additional fire hydrants upon the Jerusalem Road, and for the purchase and location of a suitable hose wagon upon either Jerusalem Road or Hull street and for the erection of a suitable building for the same."

The above petition is signed by Hon. Alexander H. Rice, Alfred Beal, Hon. Horace H. Coolidge, J. S. Kendall, Matthew Luce, the Misses Forbush, John V. Apthorp, William W. Clapp, George H. Ryther, A. L. Motte, James Bell, and twenty others.

We have carefully considered the subject matter of the above petition and would most earnestly recommend to the town that the requests of the petitioners be granted at the next annual meeting. We have at present no fire apparatus in the section referred to except a hand hose reel carrying 500 feet of hose. With this amount we are able with the present hydrant service on Jerusalem Road to

reach only a very few of the many magnificent residences thereon, and in case of fire our department could do little more than to stand back and see the property go up in smoke. There are at present only four (4) hydrants on the Jerusalem Road between Richardson's hill and the corner of Hull street, and none at all between Richardson's hill and the Black Rock House.

In view of the above facts we would recommend that the town purchase during the coming year a hose wagon of sufficient capacity to carry 1,000 feet of hose and that it be located at North Cohasset, and a suitable building erected therefor. The estimated cost for this improvement is: for wagon and fixtures, $500; for building and furnishings, $1,000; we think that the land for the building can be secured without expense to the town. We also recommend that the town immediately contract with either the Cohasset or the Hingham Water Company for the maintenance of at least eight (8) more hydrants on the Jerusalem Road.

The valuable property in the vicinity of Sandy Cove, Lothrop's Beach and Beach Island, is also very poorly protected and we would advise the addition of two (2) hydrants on Beach Island, where at present there are none, and one at a point midway between Sandy Cove and Lothrop's Beach.

The recent erection of several high buildings in town, among them the Osgood School building and the Masonic building, make necessary the purchase for the Department of a new ladder, at least twenty feet longer than any now belonging to the Department. The longest ladder which we have now is an extension, forty feet long, and with this we are unable to reach the roofs of the two buildings above mentioned, as well as several others. It is also constructed in such a manner that it would be unsafe to place upon it the combined weight of four men and two lines of hose at the same time, something which would be necessary in case of any serious conflagration.

In view of this fact we would recommend the immediate purchase by the town of a Somerville Extension ladder, sixty feet in length. Its cost delivered at Cohasset, will be $135. It can be carried upon the truck now located at the Harbor, with no additional expense.

For the necessary running expenses of the Department for the coming year, we would recommend an appropriation of $700. In this estimate we include 55 firemen's poll taxes, painting and varnishing Hook and Ladder truck and Hose wagon, salaries of stewards, horses to fires and various items of minor importance, but which the efficiency of the service of the Department demands.

Per Order of the Board of Engineers,

EDWARD E. WENTWORTH, *Chief.*

HENRY T. P. BATES, *Clerk.*

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF COHASSET,

FOR THE YEAR 1891.

MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE:

EDWARD F. RIPLEY, Chairman. E. P. COLLIER, Secretary.

NEWCOMB B. TOWER. E. HERBERT TOWLE.

JOSEPH S. BIGELOW. AMOS A. LAWRENCE.

Superintendent of Schools,

LOUIS P. NASH.

REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF COHASSET,

FOR THE YEAR 1891.

The School Committee respectfully submit their annual report:

The year just closed has been an eventful one in the school history of this town. For years past the plan of combining certain schools in a central school building had been advocated by Rev. Joseph Osgood. September 7th, 1891, saw his long cherished plan consummated in the dedication of this central building, and we have today the Osgood School, which is certainly one of the handsomest buildings in the State, and of which our town may justly be proud. Already inquiries have come in from other towns that are planning the consolidation of their schools, and building committees have visited our new school house to get ideas to aid them in their duties.

The ventilation of the building is now nearly satisfactory, and we hope to note perfection as the management of the cold and warm air currents becomes better understood by janitor and teachers. Some little trouble has been experienced in heating certain rooms at times, but considering the system has been in operation in the building but a few months it is certainly unjust to indulge in adverse criticism, and we have every reason to believe that the Fuller-Warren

Company will succeed in getting the best results for which their system is noted in the many public buildings both East and West in which it has been introduced.

The Fuller-Warren system was strongly recommended by Mr. Lemuel Pope, who was then the Inspector for our district, and by the State Board, and the sanitary arrangements are considered by Mr. James C. Tucker, Superintendent of Public Buildings in Boston, the most perfect and satisfactory that have yet been invented.

As to financial results obtained by consolidation, it would seem, looking at the matter in the light of actual experience, that what is saved in certain ways, is more than counterbalanced by increased expenses attending the maintenance of a building of this character, and the conveying of pupils from remote districts. But is the mere matter of dollars and cents alone to be considered in the education of the youth of this town? Our Superintendent of Schools assures us that he can see better work and better results already, and that, if we have the support of our townspeople, we are on the right road to even more marked improvement before the close of another year.

There are now about two hundred and seventy pupils in the Osgood School, and under the efficient management of Mr. Jacobs, the principal of the High School, but little complaint is heard as regards their conduct in and about the school building.

A petition from the people of the South Primary District was received in September, asking that their children might be allowed to attend the Osgood School. A hearing was given and their petition granted, the school being closed the last of that month, and the pupils with their teacher, Miss Myra L. Beal, who had taught in our schools for nearly thirty years, were transferred to the new school building. Miss Beal has since been retained at the Osgood School to assist in that work for which her long experience with little children has peculiarly fitted her, but whether your Commit-

tee are justified in continuing her indefinitely in that capacity is a question, though considering her years of faithful service in the South District, certainly something is due her.

The day for criticising teachers in the annual report of a school committee has gone by, and it is well that it has, for it was always the custom to speak of their virtues and not allude to their faults. Members of school committees that do their duty cannot help being misjudged and must necessarily make enemies. Especially is this true in towns where many feel competent to judge without knowing facts, and are not content with leaving matters to be managed in their proper departments. It is a well known fact that they who are the greatest failures in life feel that they can manage school affairs much better than those whom towns have entrusted with the care of schools.

There has been a complaint for some years past, and a just one, that our High School does not fit pupils for college and schools of the same grade as the Institute of Technology. To be on an equal footing with the many enterprising towns in this State, we have this year made such arrangements, by placing another assistant in that school, that our boys and girls can prepare for college.

We would be glad to see greater desire on the part of many in our schools to aspire to some profession, and trust that those interested in the young will give them that encouragement necessary to induce them to make greater effort, so that Cohasset can boast of a minister, a doctor and a lawyer in the next seven years, from the pupils now attending her schools.

The evening school has been established this year and is a success, the men showing evident determination to master the common branches of study, and the attendance was remarkably good till so much illness prevailed.

Drawing.

There is another study that should be taught in our schools. While many towns are giving more and more attention to

the study of drawing, as yet we have done but little in this branch of study for the reason of so much extra expense attending its introduction. It has been well said that "drawing lies at the basis of all industry as well as of all art," and yet while fully realizing the importance of this study, and that it is no time now to practice false economy when towns through the State are granting year by year more liberal appropriations for educational purposes, still we leave the matter of its more general introduction for the citizens of the town to decide at the annual meeting in March.

Repairs.

All necessary repairs have been made on the school buildings now in use. The walls, woodwork and blackboards of the Beechwood School have been thoroughly renovated. A laboratory has been fitted up in the Osgood School for the use of the pupils of the High School. Desks and chairs have been taken from the Elm Street and Harbor Schools and are now used in the Jerusalem and North Primary districts. Very little has been done for the King Street School, and the problem of whether to build a new school house for that district or convey the pupils to the centre of the town, will have to be solved before many years.

There are three buildings now unused, the Centre, Harbor and South. A purchaser stands ready to take the South School building, and we would recommend that the Selectmen be authorized at the annual town meeting to sell these buildings before they need further repairs, and apply the proceeds to cancelling a part of the Osgood School debt or to building a small primary school at some point near Mr. Thomas Bates'. This plan would place the large building at the head of Jerusalem Road in the market, and for the purchase of which we have had two applications.

We mention these plans, as any of the buildings now in use for school purposes outside the Osgood School, will, if the present law remains in force, sooner or later be condemned by the State Board of Health.

We cannot close this report without recording our deep regret for the loss of Miss Drusilla S. Lothrop from our schools the past year. Anything we can say but feebly expresses in what high esteem she has always been held by everybody connected with our schools, and it is hoped that her health may again permit her to resume her duties in the High School.

Respectfully submitted,

Edward F. Ripley,
E. P. Collier,
Joseph S. Bigelow,
Amos A. Lawrence,
Newcomb B. Tower,
E. H. Towle.

REPORT

OF THE

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

FOR THE YEAR 1891.

TO THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF COHASSET: — Following are the Statistics of the Schools for the year 1890-91:

Whole number of children in town, May 1, 1891, between 5 and 15 years of age,	338
Whole number of children in town, May 1, 1891, between 8 and 14 years of age,	232
Whole number of pupils in school between 5 and 15,	383
Whole number of pupils in school between 8 and 14,	217
Number in school over 15,	32
Total number of pupils in all schools,	415
Average membership in all schools,	364.6
Average attendance in all schools,	330.3
Per cent. of attendance,	90.6
Total income of the Public Schools,	$10,000.00
Expenditure for each child in school,	$24.10

GRADUATES FROM THE HIGH SCHOOL, 1891:

Ellery Channing Bates.
Paul Joy Bates.
Samuel Clark Bates.
Fred Clifton Blossom.
Walter Clifford Browne.
Laura Lizzie James.
Mary Elizabeth Keefe.
Michael Christopher Mulcahy.
William Francis Murphy.
Mary Miranda Pratt.
George Winthrop Souther.
Nellie Studley.
Manuel William Sylvia.
Julia Wiley Treat.

SCHOOLS AND TEACHERS.

Schools.	Teachers in Service, June, 1891.	Salary.	Boys.	Girls.	Whole No.	Av. Membership.	Av. Attendance.	Per cent. of Attendance.	Tardy.	Visits.
High,	Edward J. Cox,	$1,200	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Gertrude M. Gleason,	500	27	42	69	65 3	60 8	93.1	83	6
Grammar:										
North,	Mattie P. Bates,	380	18	11	29	27.8	26.1	93.8	43	63
Centre,	Annie A. Souther,	380	9	18	27	26.7	24.6	92.3	82	—
South,	Lizzie C. Bates,	380	24	22	46	38.1	35.1	92.1	88	17
Beechwood,	L. Webster Bates,	450	13	6	19	16.9	15.5	91.8	20	—
Primary:										
North,	Susie L. Stoddard,	360	9	14	23	23.1	20.3	88.8	13	66
Centre,	Sarah E. Fox,	360	16	23	39	35.4	30.5	86.1	82	71
South,	Myra L. Beal,	360	18	17	35	29.4	27.9	94.9	21	20
Harbor,	Priscilla L. Collier,	360	26	21	47	39.3	34 9	89.4	37	106
Beechwood,	Hattie J. Nichols,	360	20	16	36	28.2	24.3	89.3	57	39
Mixed:										
King Street,	Agnes M. Ward,	380	10	8	18	13.2	12.2	92.4	17	38
Jerusalem,	Annie Fox,	380	17	10	27	21.2	18.1	92.3	143	36

By examining the statistics which accompany this report it will be seen that the average rate of attendance does not differ materially from that of last year. There is about ten per cent. of absence, a part of which is due to sickness or other imperative reasons, but still there is a considerable amount of absence from school for which no good excuse can be given. Irregularity in attendance hurts not only the pupils who are out of school but also the other pupils of the class, since the whole class is delayed while the absentees are being brought into line. The people who send their children regularly to school have therefore an interest in doing what they can to induce others to follow the same rule.

Music.

The shrewdness, energy, and business ability of the American people have accomplished wonderful results; but while we have been so busy, we have had but little time to spare for the elegant studies of life. In some countries everyone understands and loves music, and those nations possess one element of cultivation which we have hitherto lacked; but our people are finding out that there is a use and a joy in musical culture, and it will not be long before we shall as a nation take a much higher stand in musical matters than we do now. We have found out the value of music, we have discovered that everyone who can hear correctly will learn to sing if he is rightly taught in childhood, and as music comes to be more generally taught in the schools, the world of song will be opened to all our people, to refine and elevate their whole lives.

Our schools are doing thorough work in music, and there are only five or six pupils in town who cannot read and sing what is adapted to their age. We shall carry the work forward in the upper grades to include a certain amount of instruction in harmony. In this as in the other studies of the curriculum, the pupils will follow an elementary course of study first, and after they have become familiar with the

practical use of a subject, then in the high school they will learn something of the laws and principles that determine its right development.

Evening School.

A very wise and useful step was taken when the evening school was established. A considerable number of men and boys have taken advantage of this opportunity to better themselves, and I am sure that nearly all have profited greatly by attending the sessions of the school. For next year, I believe that it would be profitable to enlarge the work of the evening school, giving what might be called a high school class, and perhaps it would be well to hold a school on alternate evenings for women or girls.

To the Superintendent of Schools:—

When the applications for seats in the evening school were considered last October, it was found that classes could be formed for high school work as well as for the work below that grade; but it was decided that, considering the appropriation, and the seating room then in readiness, the more elementary work only should be undertaken this year.

In accordance with that decision, on the evening of November 2nd, classes were formed in reading, writing, arithmetic, bookkeeping and business composition. I say that classes were formed, and so there were at the beginning, but each member has been encouraged to work independently of the others, with the idea of accomplishing as much as possible in the twelve weeks of school. Under this plan we soon found the different ones working each by himself, neither hindered nor hurried by others, and the progress made, limited only by the individual attainments and the time which each found he could devote to the work outside of school.

On three evenings of each week this work has gone on under the direction of the principal, with during a part of the time one assistant, and later, two assistants. The largest number of pupils on any evening was thirty.

During this time the interest evinced has been remarkable and the progress very commendable when we consider that many of those availing themselves of this opportunity had long been out of school, and might be supposed to have lost that power of application which comes only with practice, and which is retained only through constant use. Especially has the advance of those who

gave their attention to learning to read and write been noticeable and, in these two arts, which need so much practice, they have made great progress. The members of this school have, in general, given an attention to the work chosen which has done away with the necessity for discipline, and thus it has been possible to concentrate the energies wholly upon the work of teaching.

The present term ends February 5th, and the experience of this term shows that there is no uncertain call for this instruction. And further, it seems to me to encourage a continuance and perhaps an extension of this work so invaluable to those who have been obliged to leave the public schools at an early age. In fact, many of the present pupils have expressed the hope that they may be able another year to go on with the work which they have begun this year; and, although Cohasset is not obliged by law to support such a school, the continuance of this provision for those who have passed the school age, but who still seek instruction, seems to be in the line of the generous and progressive policy of the town.

Respectfully submitted,

C. F. Jacobs, *Principal.*

The High School.

The room formerly occupied by the high school had become so overcrowded that it must have been injurious to the health of teachers and pupils, and all who are interested in the school have reason to be glad that a change has been made. The school now has large, clean, well-ventilated rooms, and excellent facilities for work. There is a decided advantage in having the high school under the same roof with the lower grades, because the presence and influence of these older pupils will be useful to those of the lower grades, and also because the whole course of study is a unit, from the first year in the primary grade through all the years of school life, and there ought not to be any particular separation between the grammar and high school grades.

There are two criticisms which we not unfrequently hear, concerning the high schools and their work; it is said that the studies pursued are not practical, or that the high school is an institution that is useful to the children of wealthy men, but of no great value to a poor man.

"I don't see how that study will help a boy to get a living," is what is sometimes said about some study of the high school course, and the idea seems to be that if not useful to get a living, it is not useful at all. But in educating our children, we have other things to consider besides the mere getting of a living; if we did not do so, if we all strove for nothing but just to earn the means by which to live, then schools and churches and libraries would all be useless, and we should set a child at work to learn a trade instead of sending him to school. The boys will surely get a living if they are good for anything, but we want to educate them so that they will aspire to live well, and will be respected among their fellows. We do not want their minds shut up in the narrow range of ideas by which they earn a livelihood, we want them to be active in all directions, broad-minded, ready, able to take advantage of any opportunity that may occur. Any study that tends to make broad, strong minds, is a practical study in the best sense.

The high school is emphatically a school established for the benefit of all the people, and the great majority of the pupils do not belong to wealthy families. A rich man can educate his children where he pleases, for he can send them away to school if necessary; but it is the free high school that gives a poor boy a chance to fit for college. I wish there were more among our young people who would aim at the highest in education; we ought to have a dozen pupils in the high school preparing for higher institutions of learning. In this age of the world it is the educated man who holds the power, and such of our boys and girls as have good abilities ought to be encouraged to go to college.

All school work deals with both the intellectual and the moral natures of the pupils, we teach pupils to understand certain studies, and we also teach them self-control, orderly habits of thought and behavior, respect for the rights of others. In a good many high schools there is but little training in orderly conduct, as it seems to be supposed that

the pupils are old enough not to need that kind of instruction; therefore a high school is frequently carried on in a rather disorderly manner. In our own school it is necessary to maintain quiet behavior because we have the other schools in the same building, but even if the other grades were not there, the pupils could not afford to lose the training which they derive from a well-ordered discipline. Grown men in an army or even in a debating society need discipline, and surely high school pupils need it still more. The discipline and instruction of our high school are such as cannot fail to be of great value to the pupils. There is a business-like spirit in the school, and every pupil goes steadily about his own work in a manner that will always secure good results.

Manual Training.

Education at school has been hitherto confined almost wholly to intellectual development, and the children were supposed to learn at home how to use their hands, in dealing with the practical work of life; but the day is rapidly coming when the schools will be called upon to enter upon a broader field of work, when we must undertake the education of the hands equally with the head.

The first step to take toward meeting this demand is to introduce a logical course in drawing, including form study, modelling, design, and the making of objects. A complete course in drawing as now understood includes a great deal, and our teachers are not prepared to do the best work without direction from one who has made a special study of the subject.

I hope therefore that before long a teacher of drawing may be provided, as the fundamental step in the course of manual training which will some time be demanded.

Nature Study.

Perhaps no one of our school studies has in it greater possibilities of culture and development than the course of

Nature study as combined with language. To be well informed and wise, it is necessary first of all to know how to observe keenly; therefore from the first year at school we set the children at the study of plants and animals, of the rocks and the weather, in order that they may learn to observe what is in the world about them; then we require them to tell or write what they have learned, in order that they may get the power to tell what they know in correct English speech.

This work is of the highest interest and value; it is worth a great deal to know the rocks and plants and animals that make up the world about us. It adds greatly to the interest and the pleasure of life if all these natural objects are friends who tell us their secrets, and I know of more than one fortune that has been made by simply knowing how to see what was placed all around, before the eyes of everyone. Attention is being generally called to the subject of Nature Study in all the most progressive schools, and we may expect to see a widespread interest and development in this direction. One of our teachers took a class to the meeting of the Norfolk County Teachers' Association, to illustrate the best method of teaching this subject.

General Considerations.

Our schools have made substantial progress during the year along the various lines of our work. The education of the children includes everything that tends to develop their powers, physical, mental and moral; we are not doing all our duty if we merely impart certain facts in geography and other studies, but we must strive to cultivate rightly the whole round of a child's capabilities; we should aim to bring up these boys and girls into honest, intelligent, many-sided men and women. The demands that are made upon schools and teachers in these days are very different from those of years ago. Not very many years since, most of our people lived on farms, while manufacturing was carried on in little shops

near the farm-houses. The boys took hold of many parts of the farm work or helped in the shops, and thus they gained a great deal of practical education; they gained a genuine knowledge of facts by handling the things which they studied, they acquired a substantial basis of actual experience to serve as the foundation for their future study of books, and they went to school to get the literary accomplishments that should complete their mental furnishing. The country boy of forty years ago usually had a poor chance at school, but he received an admirable education at home. While he hoed the crops or cared for the stock or helped in the shop he was all the time gaining a fund of knowledge and skill; he learned at home how to get his living, how to observe keenly and judge correctly, how to work and accomplish his purposes, and when he went to the city he was usually more than a match for the city boy, who had enjoyed better schooling but who had not received the practical training of the farm.

Now-a-days the conditions of life in our country villages are much changed. Most of the little shops are gone, and the work is done in large factories with "No Admittance" on the door; but few of our people now live on farms, and one kind of education is lost to the boys; the lives of young people in country towns are in some respects poorer and narrower than they were years ago.

The changes in social conditions have made a gap in education which the schools must attempt to fill; we must give the children all the book knowledge that they used to receive at school, and in addition an amount of practical knowledge such as they used to receive at home. We ought not to teach trades or to be responsible for the means by which our pupils are to earn a living, but we should train and develop all their powers, so that whatever may be their future condition, they will be able to hold their own in the contest of life. This is the reason why new subjects are being introduced into the courses of study, and particularly why manual training is just now being so earnestly advocated.

A system of education is a growth; large results cannot be quickly reached, but it is steady, well-directed work that is sure to bring the highest success. Our schools have been greatly benefited by consolidation. The classes are now well graded, the teachers can concentrate their efforts, and the pupils are certainly accomplishing more work; it is to be hoped that most of the pupils who are now in the outlying schools will before long be brought into the Osgood School, where they will receive as good a chance as the others do.

This plan of uniting all the schools has been adopted as yet in but few places, though it is being actively discussed by many towns in the State. Perhaps the people of Cohasset have a little reason to feel pleased with themselves for having been among the first to appreciate and adopt a new departure in education, which will bye-and-bye come into wider use. We find the advantage that comes from the change to consist not only in scholastic results and that added stimulus and freer mental life that a larger company always gives, but also in a higher standard of behavior at school and on the street.

The real force that makes a school is not to be found however in schoolhouses or courses of study, but in the teacher who undertakes to direct the work of the children. Our work is high and difficult; the teacher who achieves a true success in the mental and moral education of children must be thoroughly in earnest and devoted to her work; she must have tact, sympathy, and a surplus fund of nervous energy sufficient to endure the exhausting strain of the school room; she must be able to work as many hours a day out of school as in school, at a very fatiguing kind of labor. Almost everyone can remember a teacher who was so strong and wise and tender that the whole course of his life has been uplifted by her influence; the work that is done by such a teacher cannot be paid for in money; it is a higher kind of service, for which the only adequate reward is the consciousness of having done good.

Our teachers have worked earnestly and faithfully, they have spared no labor to study the best methods of presenting their subjects, and I gladly bear testimony to the honest work which they have done and the good results attained. The pupils give me better results in my examinations, oral and written, than they have done hitherto.

I believe that we may look confidently for a great degree of progress and improvement in our schools. We have tried to improve our work, and are aiming at the best results; certainly the people of the town have voted money willingly, and they loyally support the teachers; we ought to place the schools of Cohasset among the very best.

Respectfully submitted,

L. P. Nash.

Report of the Supervisor of Music.

To the Superintendent of Schools: —

The most proper and convenient analogy as a guide to the study of music, is that of speech in its development from infancy through all the periods of school life.

James Curry of the Training College of Edinburgh, Scotland, says: "It is common to distinguish three periods in elementary education: infancy, extending from birth till six or seven years of age; childhood, extending from that till the twelfth or thirteenth year; and youth, from that again till the sixteenth or seventeenth.

"Infancy is the period in which the organization of the framework through which the mind acts on the world without is incomplete; childhood commences with the completion of this organization, and continues as long as animal enjoyment is the chief consideration of life: the period of youth unfolds itself when the mind begins to feel interest in its own exertions and to be somewhat self-sustaining in its operation; meeting the educator, as it were, half-way.

"If one of these periods be overlooked, or not used in the way that its characteristics demand, elementary education is so far imperfect or vitiated.

"The proper view to take of a child learning to read is, that he is learning to recognize, in printed or written forms, words with which he is already familiar in speech. We only surround him with difficulties if we regard his reading-book at this period as the means of extending his vocabulary. He acquires words in the conversational lessons or by rote, — the natural vehicle for his acquiring them. His reading, let it be repeated, should be nothing more than the recognition of what is already familiar to him."

It is apparent that, if the above principles in teaching language are to be applied to the teaching of singing, the work of the primary school must be largely — not wholly — by rote.

When children enter school at the age of five or six, their acquirements in speech have been so far advanced that there has been laid a good foundation for instruction in reading. It is not so to an equal extent in singing. *This deficiency is best supplied*, by a systematic course in rote singing, the materials of which are a good selection of songs of limited compass, and of regular and decided rhythm.

In connection with this rote singing, the elements of musical notation are taught step by step, and *caused to be understood by being the written signs of little exercises and songs already familiar to the pupil.* In this way the ear and the voice and the musical taste are cultivated, and a thorough *preparation* is made for reading music at sight.

The books and charts of the National Music Course, in use here, are systematically arranged in accordance with the above principles. Each difficulty in time and tune has its place in a certain grade of school, and should be thoroughly mastered right there, for the exercises and songs are not only arranged with reference to the systematic development of the subject; but they are also arranged with reference to the age and condition of development, both mental and physical, of the pupils.

Teaching music in the public schools is no longer an experiment. Every pupil who, commencing in the primary school, does faithfully and well, all the work of the *National Music Course*, will, when he has finished, not only be able to read music at sight, but he will have acquired a taste for good music, he will appreciate and enjoy it when he hears it, and will be able to speak intelligently upon the subject.

What I have to say about Music in the schools of Cohasset, will be better understood if I first give a brief outline of our course of study in music.

First Year. — *Preparatory Course.* — The teaching of notation is of secondary importance in this grade. The principal aims are, to train the ear, cultivate a good tone of voice, and acquire a good style in singing. To this end a variety of miscellaneous songs are taught by rote.

The regular work of this grade, aside from song singing, consists of twenty short exercises which are first taught by imitation, after which each exercise is taken up separately and the written signs are taught step by step from the blackboard, and practised from the chart. In this way the children learn the name and use of,—Notes long and short, Measures, Bars and double bars, Rests long and short, the Staff, the G clef on the staff, the first six sounds of the scale of G, Beating time in two-part and three-part measure, the Dynamic signs *p*, *mf*, and *f*, and the Slur.

Second Year. — *Preparatory Course.* — Most of the songs used in this grade are taught first by rote; after which they are analyzed, and each new step is taught from the blackboard, the pupils learning to sing by the scale-names (numerals), pitch-names (letters), and the syllables (do, re, mi, etc.); they practice daily on the sounds of the scale. The following steps in notation are taught:

Measures with four parts, Quarter note, Half note, Whole note, Eighth note, Quarter rest, Half rest, Whole rest, Eighth rest, Two sounds to a beat, the Repeat, first and second ending, One-eighth note to a beat, Commencing with the up beat, the Dynamic sign *pp*, Six-part measure, Five sounds of the upper scale, key of C, the Middle scale, key of C, Four sounds of the lower scale key of C. Practice upon the sounds of the lower and upper scales by scale-names, pitch-names, and syllables.

Third Year.—*Preparatory Course.*—Songs and exercises to be sung by scale-names, pitch-names, and syllables, embracing the following:

The Natural scale, Large and small intervals, two Semitones, between three and four, and seven and eight, the

Chromatic scale ascending, Sharps, new sounds named from the sounds below, Key of G, the Chromatic scale descending, Flats, new sounds named from the sounds above, the Key of F, Key of D, *Da Capo*, Sign of the end, Key of B-flat, Commencing after the up-beat, Key of A, Key of E-flat, Key of E, Key of A-flat, Practice upon the sounds of the scale.

Fourth Year.—Reading music at sight. The pupils of this grade average eight or nine years of age. They should now be taught to think and act for themselves in music as they do in their other studies.

They begin at this time the study of the second series of charts and the second Music Reader.

The exercises are easily progressive and the pupils should sing them with the utmost precision. They should now receive but little help from the teacher, but should learn, by continued practice, to apply the principles taught in the lower grades, and should master each step thoroughly. The test of their ability to read music should be the printed page. Can they sing without assistance any exercise that contains only the difficulties which have occurred in their daily work? Two-part singing is commenced in this grade, and every pupil should have some practice in singing the second part.

Fifth Year.—Reading music at sight. Two-part songs and exercises in all the major keys, and in all the different forms of measure.

Sixth Year.—Reading music at sight, also a study of the harmonic sounds, the Scale, the term Degree, Staff intervals, Seconds, major and minor, Triads, major and minor, Fourths, perfect and augumented, Fifths, perfect and diminished, Sixths, major and minor, Sevenths, major and minor, Inversion of intervals, Triads of the major scale, Inversion of the triads of the major scale, Chords of the seventh. Triads: tonic, dominant, subdominant, and dominant seventh, Practical exercises and songs upon the triads,

Minor scales, key of C, natural, harmonic, and melodic forms, Exercises and songs in all the major and minor keys, modulation.

Seventh Year.—Two and three-part songs, and chord practice as in the sixth grade.

Eighth Year.—Three and four-part songs.

High School.—Chorus practice.

This is the fourth year of music instruction in the schools of Cohasset. The completion of the Osgood School building, and the consolidation of so many small mixed classes into one large and well-graded school, enables us to carry on our work in music under the same favorable conditions that exist in the larger towns.

All that I need say of the lower grades is that the first, second, third, and fourth grades are doing in a very satisfactory manner that portion of the work assigned to them in the course of study. The fifth and sixth grades, being in the same room, sing together. At the beginning of this school year some of the pupils in this class had never done the work of the fourth-year grade, while others had gone beyond it; but inasmuch as the success of the class in the future depends upon the thoroughness with which the work of each and every grade is performed, it was thought best that this class should begin at the beginning of the second Music Reader, with the first lessons in reading music at sight. The class was able to complete the work of the fourth-year grade during the first two terms, and commenced on the work of the fifth grade with the beginning of the present term in January. I expect that the class will complete the work of the fifth grade before the summer vacation.

The seventh and eighth grades are together in one room, and they sing together. Of course this class has not had the advantage of that thorough, systematic course of instruction in all the lower grades that the pupils of the Osgood School are now receiving. Still they have done good work

in the three years during which music instruction has been given in the schools, and it was thought best that they should not be kept longer upon work that is arranged for younger children; so they are studying three-part songs which are too difficult for them to read at first sight, but by first studying each part separately, they learn to sing these songs very well. They are doing good work, and read music much better than they did at the beginning of the year.

In the High School we are pursuing much the same course as in the upper grammar grades. The most of the three and four-part songs that we take up are too difficult for many of the pupils to read at sight, but after a little study they are sung by nearly all.

It is to the upper grades that we may look for the most improvement in the future, for here will finally culminate all the work of all grades.

Better results have been reached in the mixed schools this year than in any of the previous years.

The teachers have given me their hearty co-operation as in years past, and their work has been more effective than ever before, on account of the larger experience which the added year has given them.

ALBERT E. BRADFORD,
Supervisor of Music.

ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THIRD

ANNUAL REPORT

OF

THE SELECTMEN

OF THE

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS

OF THE

TOWN OF COHASSET

AND THE

REPORTS OF OTHER TOWN OFFICERS,

For the Year Ending December 31, 1892.

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OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1892-93.

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor,

J. Q. A. LOTHROP, Chairman,	Term Expires,	March 1, 1894.
PHILANDER BATES,	" "	March 1, 1893.
CALEB F. NICHOLS,	" "	March 1, 1895.

Treasurer and Collector of Taxes, ABRAHAM H. TOWER.

School Committee,

EDWARD F. RIPLEY, Chairman,	Term Expires,	March 1, 1893.
E. POMEROY COLLIER, Secretary,	" "	March 1, 1893.
JOSEPH S. BIGELOW,	" "	March 1, 1894.
AMOS A. LAWRENCE,	" "	March 1, 1894.
LOUIS T. CUSHING,	" "	March 1, 1895.
EDWARD J. COX (resigned August, 1892).		
CYRUS H. BATES (elected to fill vacancy),	" "	March 1, 1893.

Superintendent of Schools, LOUIS P. NASH.

Fire Engineers,

EDWARD E. WENTWORTH, Chief.

CHARLES A. GROSS, 1st Assistant, HENRY E. BRENNOCK, 2d Assistant,
A. BRADFORD LITCHFIELD, ALSON S. RICHARDSON,
HENRY T. P. BATES, Clerk.

Forest Fire Wards,

WALDO C. LOCKE, THOMAS L. BATES, ELMER E. BATES.

Constables,

EDWARD E. WENTWORTH, JOHN ROCHE, JR., HENRY E. BRENNOCK,
CHARLES L. KITTRELL, ANDREW H. PROUTY, A. BRAD. LITCHFIELD.

Superintendent of Streets, PHILANDER BATES.

Auditor, CALEB LOTHROP.

Sealer of Weights and Measures, ALLEN C. BATES.

Auctioneers,

LOUIS N. LINCOLN, J. Q. A. LOTHROP, AARON PRATT.

Field Drivers,

LEVI L. WORRICK, EBEN S. PRATT, FRANK F. ANTOINE,
CHARLES L. KITTRELL, THOMAS LONEY.

Trustees of the Public Library,

REV. JOSEPH OSGOOD, D. D.,	Term Expires,	March 1, 1893.
MISS SARAH SIG. PRATT,	" "	March 1, 1893.
MISS EDITH M. BATES,	" "	March 1, 1893.
MRS. ABRAHAM H. TOWER,	" "	March 1, 1894.
MISS SARAH B. COLLIER,	" "	March 1, 1894.
EDWARD F. RIPLEY,	" "	March 1, 1894.
EDWARD E. ELLMS,	" "	March 1, 1895.
LOUIS T. CUSHING,	" "	March 1, 1895.
ABRAHAM H. TOWER,	" "	March 1, 1895.

Measurers of Wood and Bark,

MORGAN B. STETSON, HERBERT L. BROWN.

Fence Viewers,

MORGAN B. STETSON, EBEN S. PRATT, EZRA BROWN.

Surveyor of Lumber, ARTHUR O. HIGGINS.

Undertaker, BENJAMIN F. EVANS.

Pound Keeper, LEVI L. WORRICK.

Keeper of Lock-up, HENRY E. BRENNOCK.

Registrars of Voters,

CHARLES F. TILDEN, Chairman,	Term Expires,	May 1, 1894.
C. JAMES PRATT,	" "	May 1, 1895.
JOHN M. DAMON,	" "	May 1, 1893.

NEWCOMB B. TOWER, Town Clerk, *ex officio*, Clerk of Board.

REPORT

OF THE

TOWN CLERK.

Extracts from the Town Records.

At the Annual Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Cohasset, held March 7, 1892, the subject matter presented in the several articles of the warrant was acted upon as follows, viz.:—

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.
Chose J. Q. A. Lothrop, Moderator.

Article 2. To act upon the reports of the Trustees and Treasurer of the Public Library, Selectmen, Overseers of the Poor, Treasurer, Treasurer of School Committee and School Committee.

All the above reports were accepted. They may be found in the printed Financial Report of the Town for 1891.

Article 3. To choose all Town Officers required by law and by-laws of the Town.

See list of Town Officers on opposite page.

Article 4. What sums of money will the Town raise and appropriate for the payment of the debt, interest, repairs on high-ways, support and relief of poor, schools, public library, electric lights, water, and other necessary charges and expenses for the current year. Also, will the Town authorize the Treasurer to hire money with the approval of the Selectmen, in anticipation of the taxes, and to pay State and Military Aid.

It was voted that the sum of forty-five thousand, three hundred dollars ($45,300.00) be appropriated the current year for the following purposes, namely:—

For Payment of Debt,	$3,000 00
Support of Schools, including the Evening School,	10,800 00
Support and Relief of the Poor,	5,000 00
Relief of Soldiers and Sailors,	1,000 00
Highways and Sidewalks,	9,000 00
Cohasset and Hingham Water Companies,	1,900 00
Electric Lights,	5,000 00

Town Officers,	$1,600 00
Watering Streets,	1,100 00
Payment of Interest,	2,600 00
Removing Snow,	1,000 00
Printing,	400 00
Fire Department,	700 00
Public Library,	500 00
G. A. R. Post,	100 00
Incidentals,	1,100 00
Military Aid,	250 00
Town Hall,	250 00
Total amount appropriated, as stated above,	$45,300 00
Deduct estimated amount of Income,	28,000 00
Leaves the amount to be raised by taxation,	$17,300 00

And it was voted that the sum of seventeen thousand, three hundred dollars ($17,300.00) be raised by taxation the current year.

It was voted that the Treasurer be authorized to hire money with the approval of the Selectmen, in anticipation of the taxes, and to pay State and Military Aid.

Article 5. In what manner will the Town collect the taxes, and at what time shall they be paid into the Treasury.

It was voted that the taxes be collected in the same manner as last year, at the same time and subject to the same conditions of payment. In other words, "The taxes assessed for the year ensuing shall be due and payable on the first day of August; and on all taxes remaining unpaid on the first day of October, interest not exceeding seven per cent. per annum, shall be added thereto, until paid; and the taxes remaining unpaid on the tenth day of January, 1893, shall be considered delinquent and subject to collection according to law. The interest accruing under this vote shall be added to and be a part of such taxes."

Article 6. To hear the report of the Selectmen on Guide-boards, and act thereon.

Voted, that the report of the Selectmen on Guide-boards be accepted. The following is their report: "Guide-boards are maintained at the following places: corner of Church and Beechwood streets; Doane and Beechwood; King and Beechwood; Beechwood and South Main; South Main and Summer; Summer and Border; North Main and Jerusalem Road; North Main and King; Forest Avenue and North Main; Jerusalem Road and Forest avenue; Hull street and Jerusalem Road."

Article 7. Will the Town accept the list of Jurors as prepared and posted by the Selectmen.

Voted, that the list of Jurors as prepared and posted by the Selectmen after (having been somewhat amended by the meeting,) be accepted. The accepted list is as follows:

Abraham J. Antoine,
Elmer E. Bates,
Edwin Bates,
Cyrus H. Bates,
David P. Beal,
George W. Beal,
James S. Beal,
Charles F. Bennett,
Thomas D. Blossom,
Charles P. Bourne,
Morton S. Crehore,
John M. Damon,
Edward E. Ellms,
Warren S. Gammons,
Charles Harris,
Leander W. Groce,
Ezekiel L. James,
Levi Lincoln,
A. Bradford Litchfield,
Levi L. Lincoln,
James Pettee,
C. James Pratt,
Samuel E. Pratt,
William H. Reed,
John Roche, Jr.,
Walter S. Tower,
Israel C. Vinal,
Levi L. Worrick.

Article 8. Will the Town cause the Financial Report to be printed and distributed in the month of February next.

Voted, that the Selectmen cause the Financial Report of the Town to be printed and distributed in the month of February next.

Article 9. To hear the report of any committee heretofore appointed, and to pass such votes as may be required by each report.

The report of the Osgood School Building committee, which is printed in full in the Town Book last issued, was brought before the meeting to be acted upon. By it, it appears that the cost of the building, with fittings and furniture, together with cost of drainage, grading, fencing, etc., but not including the cost of the land which was generously presented to the Town for the purpose, was $32,081.93. $29,000.00 has been appropriated by the Town and $56.57 has been received from the sale of old buildings, etc., and the Town is asked to provide for the balance, $3,025.26 which is, or may become due sundry persons. Agreeably to this report, it was voted that the amount asked for, $3,025.26, be appropriated. It was unanimously voted that the sum of three thousand dollars for the Osgood School Building, be hired for the term of ten years.

The Committee on procuring land for a new cemetery, asked for further time, which was granted. Authority was given it to purchase in behalf of the Town, land, which in its judgment seems to be adapted for a Town's Cemetery, if any can be secured.

Article 10. Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in the Town for the current year, in accordance with Chapter 54, of the Acts of 1881.

Under the above article, it was voted sixty-five "Yes", and seventy "No".

Article 11. To fix the compensation of the Collector of Taxes for the current year, according to law.

Voted, that the compensation of the Collector of Taxes for the current year, be the same as last year, namely, two hundred dollars.

Article 12. Will the Town raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred dollars to decorate the Soldiers' and Sailors' graves.

Voted, to pass over this article, as the Selectmen have provided for the wants of the G. A. R. Post in their estimates under the fourth article, which were accepted.

Article 13. Will the Town take any action to suppress the illegal sale of intoxicating drink.

Voted, that the sum of three hundred dollars be appropriated for the suppression of the illegal sale of intoxicating drink, to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen.

Article 14. Will the Town authorize the Selectmen to sell and convey such real estate not now used for school purposes, as they deem best.

Voted, that this article be referred to the Selectmen, with full powers to sell and convey by proper deeds, or to lease, any and all the unoccupied school-houses and land belonging to the Town, at such a consideration as the Selectmen in their judgment deem to be for the best interest of the Town, after full investigation of the title and the right the Town may have to sell and convey, with the exception that the above vote shall not apply to the Centre school-house and the land connected therewith.

Article 15. Will the Town raise and appropriate three hundred dollars for the introduction of drawing into the public schools, or act thereon.

Voted, that the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred dollars for the introduction of drawing into the public schools.

Article 16. Will the Town raise and appropriate two hundred and ten dollars for the conveyance of the children of the South Primary District to the Osgood School, or act thereon.

Voted, that the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred and ten dollars for the conveyance of the children of the South Primary District, to the Osgood School.

Article 17. Will the Town raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred and thirty-five dollars for the purchase of an Extension Ladder for the use of the Fire Department, or act thereon.

Voted, that the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred and thirty-five dollars for the purchase of an Extension Ladder for the use of the Fire Department.

Article 18. Will the Town transfer Independence Engine, No. 1, to the Beechwood district, or act thereon.

Voted, that the Town will not transfer Independence Engine, No. 1, to the Beechwood district.

Artice 19. Will the Town raise and appropriate the sum of eight hundred dollars for the purchase of a Hose Wagon, and the erection or purchase of a building therefor, to be located at North Cohasset, or act thereon.

Voted, that this article be passed over.

Article 20. Will the Town raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars for the purchase of a Chemical Engine to be located in the building now occupied by Independence Engine, No. 1, or act thereon.

Voted, that this article be passed over.

Article 21. Will the Town instruct the Selectmen to contract with the Cohasset and Hingham Water Companies for the maintenance of twelve additional Fire Hydrants, to be located on Jerusalem road, Atlantic avenue and Beach Island, or act thereon.

Voted, that the Town will not instruct the Selectmen to contract for twelve additional Fire Hydrants, as specified in the warrant.

Article 22. Will the Town reduce its School Committee to three members, and elect annually one School Committee-man for three years, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44, Section 26, of the Public Statutes, or act thereon.

Voted, that the Town will not reduce its School Committee to three members.

Article 23. Will the Town grant for the use of the Cohasset Free Public Library, the rooms on the first floor of the Town Hall, recently vacated by the High School, or act thereon.

Voted, that the Town will grant for the use of the Cohasset Free Public Library, the rooms on the first floor of the Town Hall, recently vacated by the High School.

Article 24. Will the Town authorize the Trustees of the Cohasset Free Public Library to make such alterations as may be necessary for the enlargement of the Library and Reading Room,

and raise and appropriate the sum of six hundred and fifty dollars in addition to their regular appropriation, for the payment of the same, or act thereon.

Voted, that the Trustees of the Cohasset Free Public Library be authorized to make such alterations as may be necessary for the enlargement of the Library and Reading Room.

Voted, that the sum of six hundred and fifty dollars be raised in addition to the regular appropriation for the Library, for payment of cost of alterations authorized above.

Article 25. Will the Town give the Beechwood Cemetery Association permission to buy and hold about one-half acre of land to enlarge their burial ground, on the northerly side of the same, owned by Isaac S. Pratt.

Voted, that the Town will give the Beechwood Cemetery Association permission to buy and hold about one-half acre of land to enlarge their burial ground, as asked for.

Article 26. Will the Town accept a piece of land at the junction of Church and Doane streets, and raise and appropriate one hundred dollars to improve the same, or act thereon.

Voted, that the Town will accept a piece of land at the junction of Church and Doane streets.

Voted, that the sum of one hundred dollars be raised and appropriated for improving the land accepted as above.

Article 27. Will the Town cause the road to be widened, and the sidewalk repaired on South Main street, from the residence of Esther Lincoln to the Scituate line, or act thereon.

Voted, that the sum of six hundred dollars, to be taken from the Highway and Sidewalk appropriation, be expended upon the road and sidewalk on South Main street, from the residence of Mrs. Esther Lincoln to the Scituate line.

Article 28. Will the Town order the construction of a sidewalk on South Main street, from the residence of W. H. H. Hancock to that of Newcomb Bates, or act thereon.

Voted, that this article be passed over.

Article 29. Will the Town construct street crossings of a durable nature where needed, and keep them clean, or act thereon.

Voted, that the matter of street crossings be referred to the Superintendent of Streets.

Article 30. Will the Town take any action towards placing Flood Gates at the mouth of Little Harbor, near the bridge, or act on anything relating thereto.

Voted, that the above article be referred to the Selectmen, and that a hearing be given by them at an early day, to all parties interested for or against the placing of Flood Gates or any other

obstruction to the passage of water in and out of Little Harbor, with authority to apply to the General Court, if necessary, for legal permission to perform such work as the Selectmen men may deem expedient and for the best interests of the Town, and report at some future meeting.

The customary vote of thanks was extended to the Moderator for the able and impartial manner in which he presided at the meeting.

At 3.15 o'clock, P. M. the meeting was dissolved.

DOINGS AT A SPECIAL MEETING, HELD AUGUST 20, 1892.

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting. Chose Philander Bates, Moderator.

ARTICLE 2. Will the Town authorize the Town Treasurer to hire, with the approval of the Selectmen, a sum of money in anticipation of the taxes for the year 1893, to pay for building a Dam and Gates at the mouth of Gulf River, in said town of Cohasset, or act thereon.

Voted, that the Committee on the Construction of a Dam and Gates, when satisfied of the number of abuttors signing a release of all claims for any damages on account of flowing, be authorized to contract and pay for the work.

Voted, that the Town Treasurer be authorized to hire, with the approval of the Selectmen, a sum of money in anticipation of the taxes for the year 1893, to pay for building a Dam and Gates at the mouth of Gulf River, in this town.

Voted, that the meeting be dissolved.

ELECTION RECORD.

NOVEMBER 8, 1892.

Whole number of ballots cast in Cohasset, 421.

ELECTORS OF PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT AT LARGE IN COHASSET.

	† Total vote.	Vote of Cohasset.
BIDWELL & CRANFILL, *Pro.*		
John Bascom, of Williamstown,	7,539	3
Richard W. Cone, of Boston,	7,629	3
*CLEVELAND & STEPHENSON, *Dem.*		
Patrick A. Collins, of Boston,	176,813	161
John E Russell, of Leicester,	176,810	161
HARRISON & REID, *Rep.*		
Nathaniel P. Banks, of Waltham,	202,811	238
John D. Long, of Hingham,	202,814	238
WEAVER & FIELD, *P. P.*		
Edward Bellamy, of Chicopee,	3,204	1
George F. Washburn, of Boston,	3,210	1
WING & MATCHETT, *S. L.*		
Jacob Thomas, of Springfield,	649	0
(But one nomination made.) All others,	3	0
Blanks,		36

The Electors nominated for each of the thirteen districts of the State received the same number of votes as the Electors at Large.

GOVERNOR.

William H. Haile, Rep., of Springfield,	183,843	222
Wolcott Hamlin, Pro., of Amherst,	7,067	5
Squire E. Putney, S. L., of Somerville,	871	1
*William E. Russell, Dem., of Cambridge,	186,377	166
Henry Winn, P. P., of Malden,	1,976	1
Blanks,		26

LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.

James B. Carroll, Dem., of Springfield,	170,121	139
Edward Kendall, Pro., of Cambridge,	9,162	3
William J. Shields, P. P., of Boston,	2,732	2
Charles N. Wentworth, S. L., of Lynn,	1,351	0
*Roger Wolcott, Rep., of Boston,	180,358	225
Blanks,		52

*Elected. † Official.

SECRETARY.

Charles S. Hamlin, Dem., of Brookline,	16,036	148
George Kempton, P. P., of Sharon,	3,197	1
Frederick A. Nagler, S. L. of West Springfield,	1,585	0
*William M. Olin, Rep., of Boston,	177,435	213
Samuel B. Shapleigh, Pro., of Boston,	9,074	3
Blanks,		56

TREASURER AND RECEIVER-GENERAL.

Wilbert D. Farnham, Jr., Pro., of Somerville,	9,655	4
James S. Grinnell, Dem., of Greenfield,	158,414	143
*George A. Marden, Rep., of Lowell,	181,870	223
James R. Nugent, S. L., of Boston,	1,466	0
Thomas A. Watson, P. P., of Braintree,	3,161	1
Blanks,		50

AUDITOR.

Alfred H. Evans, Pro., of Ashburnham,	10,039	3
*John W. Kimball, Rep., of Fitchburg,	184,144	220
Maurice W. Landers, P. P., of Springfield,	3,739	1
Michael Lynch, of Boston,	2,009	1
Irving B. Sayles, Dem., of Millbury,	156,744	142
Blanks,		54

ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

Charles S. Lilley, Dem., of Lowell,	156,932	136
Herbert McIntosh, P. P., of Worcester,	3,679	1
*Albert E. Pillsbury, Rep., of Boston,	185,962	223
Robert F. Raymond, Pro., of New Bedford,	9,183	3
James Waldock, S. L., of Boston,	1,195	0
Blanks,		58

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS.— Twelfth District.

Elbridge Cushman, Dem., of Lakeville,	12,673	145
George W. Dyer, Pro., of Weymouth,	916	5
*Elijah A. Morse, Rep., of Canton,	17,316	217
Blanks,		54

COUNCILLOR.— First District.

*Ziba C. Keith, Rep., of Brockton,	23,565	218
Daniel D. Sullivan, Dem., of Fall River,	14,167	133
Blanks,		70

DISTRICT ATTORNEY.— Southeastern District.

*Robert O. Harris, Rep., of East Bridgewater,	19,590	211
Harvey H. Pratt, Dem., of Abington,	18,022	161
Blanks,		49

SHERIFF.— Norfolk County.

Hubbard M. Bullock, Pro., of Franklin,	2,980	35
*Augustus B. Endicott, Dem., of Dedham,	12,763	187
Blanks,		199

COUNTY COMMISSIONER.— Norfolk.

Wilmot Cleverly, Pro., of Weymouth,	567	4
*John Q. A. Lothrop, Rep., of Cohasset,	10,974	253
Henry A. Nash, Dem., of Weymouth,	9,444	123
Blanks,	1,451	41

TWO SPECIAL COMMISSIONERS.— Norfolk.

*Everett J. Eaton, Rep., of Needham,	10,158	187
Joshua B. Hanners, Pro., of Walpole,	560	3
James G. Scott, Dem., of Walpole,	8,078	122
*Silas A. Stone, Rep , of Sharon,	9,625	185
George O. Wentworth, Dem., of Stoughton,	8,432	115
Blanks,	4,493	230

THREE COMMISSIONERS OF INSOLVENCY.— Norfolk.

Paul R. Blackmur, Dem., of Quincy,	8,927	131
*Robert W. Carpenter, Rep., of Foxboro,	10,325	197
Ezra C. Comey, Dem., of Foxboro,	8,389	118
*Emery Grover, Rep., of Needham,	9,891	188
Gerald A. Healey, Dem., of Canton,	8,292	122
Charles W. Hodges, Pro., of Foxboro,	569	2
Timothy Ide, Pro., of Medway,	427	1
Aaron R. Morse, Pro., of Walpole,	478	3
*George W. Wiggin, Rep., of Franklin,	10,037	189
Blanks,		312

SENATOR.— First Plymouth District.

Thomas Alden, Dem., of Duxbury,	3,531	147
*Francis P. Arnold, Rep., of Pembroke,	4,421	215
Greenleaf Kilbrith, Pro., of Pembroke,	216	3
Blanks,		56

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT.—Fourth Plymouth District.

George F. Jacobs, Pro., of Hingham,	63	7
*Joseph B. Lincoln, Dem., of Cohasset,	756	210
Fred H. Miller, Rep., of Hingham,	543	174
Blanks,	112	30

AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION.

Shall the proposed amendment to the constitution abolishing the property qualification for the office of governor be approved and ratified?

Yes,	141,321	106
No,	68,045	59
Blanks,		256

On the eighteenth day of November, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two, the Town Clerks of Cohasset, Hingham and Hull, said towns constituting the Fourth Plymouth Representative District, assembled at the Second District Court Room, at Hingham, for the purpose of examining the returns of votes given in, and determining who had been elected to represent said District in the General Court to be holden at Boston, on the first Wednesday of January, A. D. 1893, proceeded to canvas said returns, and found the votes given in for the several candidates to be as follows:

	Hingham.	Cohasset.	Hull.	Total.
George F. Jacobs, of Hingham,	54	7	2	63
Joseph B. Lincoln, of Cohasset,	435	210	111	756
Fred H. Miller, of Hingham,	340	174	29	543
Thomas Weston, of Hingham,	4	0	0	4
Blanks,	70	30	12	112
Total,	903	421	154	1478

It appearing that Joseph B. Lincoln, of Cohasset, had received a plurality of the votes given in, a certificate of election was issued to him.

FIRE RECORD, 1892.

November 30. A stable on Highland avenue, owned by Joseph St. John, totally destroyed with its contents, which included three horses and one cow. Loss $690. Insurance on building $250.

Also, at the same time, a dwelling house owned by heirs of Franklin J. Damon, on Highland avenue, damaged to the amount of $40, by being scorched. Insured.

Number of enrolled militia, May 1, 1892, . . 304

DOGS LICENSED, 1892.

Male,	125
Female,	2
Total,	127

N. B. TOWER, *Town Clerk.*

LIST OF

MARRIAGES, BIRTHS AND DEATHS,

Registered in Cohasset, during the Year 1892.

PREPARED BY THE TOWN CLERK.

MARRIAGES.

Date.	NAMES.	Residence.	Where and by whom Married.
Jan. 4	George Neagle Rosa F. Grassie	Cohasset "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Ignatius P. Egan.
" 23	Joshua D. Jenkins Elizabeth T. Bates	Scituate Cohasset	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.
Feb. 28	Charles E. Damon Annie E. Thomas	Norwell "	Married in Cohasset by Aaron Pratt, Esq., Just. of Peace.
Mar. 22	Arthur A. Davenport Hannah E. Powers	Cohasset Hingham	Married in Hingham by Rev. J. H. MacDonald.
" 23	William H. Thayer Lucy R. Bouvé	Boston Cohasset	Married in Boston by Rev. Edward E. Hale, D. D.
April 24	Charles W. Hunter Nettie Bates	Cohasset "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Charles Smith.
" 24	*David P. Beal Mrs. Emma E. Toothaker	Cohasset "	Married in Hyde Park by Rev. E. Q. S. Osgood.
" 30	H. Alden Damon Florence C. Litchfield	Weymouth "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.
" 30	Bartlett Smith Francena M. Trommer	Rockland Cohasset	Married in North Scituate by Rev. T. F. Peed.
May 4	*Charles J. Priest Mrs. Helena M. Greaty	Cohasset "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Charles Smith.
June 9	Alfred Brickett Mary R. McKensie	Cohasset Hull	Married in Boston by Rev. G. W. Mansfield.
" 16	Everett W. Osborn Mary Burgoyne	Norwell "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood.
July 1	John Young Louisa Ross	Cohasset "	Married in Boston by Rev. John Hood.
" 22	Laban R. Bates Norah Kelley	Hull Boston	Married in Cohasset by Aaron Pratt, Esq., Just. of Peace.
" 25	Harry T. Quigley Ida M. Dehue	Boston "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood, D. D.
Aug. 23	George M. Ennice, Jr. Mrs. Mary C. Powers	Boston Hull	Married in Cohasset by Rev. E. Victor Bigelow.
Sept. 13	Albert H. Jefts Jeanette M. Botting	Cohasset Hingham	Married in Hingham by Rev. John W. Day.
" 25	*Morgan B. Stetson Mrs. Rebecca B. Smith	Cohasset "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. E. Victor Bigelow.
" 25	Edwin H. Gardner Cecilia J. Sweetser	Scituate Cohasset	Married in Cohasset by Rev. John Sharp.
Oct. 12	†Thomas Loney Mrs. Mary Pollard	Cohasset Boston	Married in Boston by Rev. J. H. Carter.

* Second marriage. † Third marriage.

MARRIAGES.—*Continued.*

Date.	NAMES.	Residence.	Where and by whom Married.
Nov. 17	Marcus W. Ripley Louise J. Carpenter	Cohasset Dudley	Married in Dudley by Rev. Edward T. Currick.
" 17	Clarence S. Couillard Mary A. Cresswell	Cohasset Hingham	Married in Hingham by Rev. J. J. Lyons.
" 24	Joshua F. Higgins Celia L. Studley	Cohasset "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood, D. D.
Dec. 18	James F. Bailey Grace M. Crane	Scituate Cohasset	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood, D. D.
" 25	Joseph Ruso Ellen F. Newcomb	Hingham Cohasset	Married in Cohasset by Rev. John Sharp.

Twenty-five marriages were recorded in this town during the year 1892, as per list above, fifteen of which were solemnized in the town.

Twenty-three Certificates of Intention of Marriage were issued from the Town Clerk's office during the year.

BIRTHS. — 1892.

Date.	NAMES OF BABIES.	Parents' Names.	Mother's M. N.	Place of Birth.
Jan. 23	Martha Ingraham Phelps	Wm. S. Jr. and Freda M.	Horner	So. Main St.
Feb. 6	Louise Joy Tower	Walter S. and Anne H.	Spurr	Elm St.
" 6	Bates	Harry C. and Charlotte E.	Augustus	Cedar St.
" 12	Edward Harrigan Thompson	John H. and Maria	Kelly	Border St.
" 17	Ignatius Francis Frates	John E. F. and Louisa	Mulvey	Stockbridge St
" 27	Elwood Franklin Vargus	Antoine, Jr. and Mary L.	Arnold	Church St.
Mar. 10	Grace Mulvey	William and Margaret L.	Devine	Pond St.
" 14	Maynard Parker Pratt	John J. A. and Mary F.	Antoine	Beechwood St.
Apr. 16	Mary Catharine Goulding	Daniel and Mary C.	Flynn	Stockbridge St
" 16	Sarah Clare Lapham	Quimby T. and Lizzie C.	Small	Sohier St.
May 3	Ethel Jean McKenzie	Charles E. and Mary L.	Blake	Spring St.
June 2	Millie Olive Tower	Thomas A. and Maria O.	McCloud	Summer St.
" 2	Everett Wilbur Wheelwrlght	Frank W. and Lillian M.	Stoddard	Beechwood St.
" 3	Ada Bryant Stoughton	Spencer H. and Mary C.	Pratt	Beechwood St.
" 7	Galen James	Ezekiel L. and Nellie G.	Bates	King St.
" 8	Leo Edward Neagle	George P. and Rosa F.	Grassie	Border St.
" 9	Edith Daphne James	Fred G. and Elizabeth R.	McCormick	King St.
" 11	Ellen Jane Haley	Matthew and Ellen J,	Fenety	Pleasant St.
July 4	Laura Elizabeth Jason	Manuel and Sarah	Gillis	Border St.
" 22	Eleanor Ripley Wilbur	John H. and Carrie B.	Morse	No. Main St.
" 30	Helena Frances Donovan	Daniel and Mary	McCarthy	Sohier St.
" 31	Jeanette Boles	Alexander R. and Emily N.	Stewart	Spring St.
Aug. 8	Charles Reamus Stoddard	David H. and Hannah L.	Wheelwrig't	Beechwood St.
" 15	George Walter Salvador	Manuel E. and Theresa A.	Jesus	Spring St.
" 28	Mary Eva Arnold	Daniel P. and Mary A.	Vargus	Church St.
Sept. 2	Reginald Robbins Beal	Sidney L. and Martha J.	Cruikshank	Hull St.
" 5	Aaron Pratt	George W. and Annie E.	Welch	Beechwood St.
" 13	Michael Henry Coyne	Michael and Catharine	Keenan	Highland Ave.
" 21	Walter Matthew Antoine	George E. and Mary E.	Smith	Stockbridge St
Oct 10	Ezra Harold Brown	Herbert L. and Flora E.	Wood	Beechwood St.
" 19	Ray Fuller Bates	Elmer E. and Myra E.	Bates	Beechwood St.
" 30	Robbins	Jesse and Emma	Rosewell	Jerusalem Rd.
Nov. 2	Geneva Roche	Thomas and Annie	Ahearn	No. Main St.
" 11	James William Holland	James W. and Annie	McNeil	Bow St.
" 22	Alice Josephine Sidney	Antoine J. and Josephine	Frates	Stockbridge St
" 24	Murdock Henry Dean	William and Jessie	McDonald	Summer St.
" 26	Alice Grassie	Thomas S. and Mary J.	Healy	Border St.
" 28	Ainslie	George E. and Belinda J.	Arnold	Beechwood St.
Dec. 27 1889	Lillian Rose Grassie	Joseph E. and Mary A.	Riley	Border St.
Sept. 18 1891	Roscoe Greenough Pratt	George W. and Annie E.	Welch	Montague.
June 23	Mary Oliver	Manuel and Marianna	Dears	Margin St.
July 11	John Howard Dolan	John J. and Amy C.	Johnson	Hull St.
Aug. 26	Frederick Martin Grassie	Thomas L. and Mary E	Martin	Border St.
Nov. 17	Harriet Ethel Reamy	Milton H. and Harriet L.	Manter	Plymouth.

In the above list may be found the names of thirty-nine infants born in Cohasset during the year 1892,—nineteen males and twenty females,—with parentage as follows:

American, ...	20
Foreign, ...	9
American father and foreign mother, ...	7
Foreign father and American mother, ...	3

A few names, births in previous years, not heretofore printed, are appended to the above list.

DEATHS. — 1892.

Date.		NAMES.	Age. Y.	M.	D.	Cause of Death.	Place of Death.
an.	4	Merriam W. (Barnes) Barnes	75	6	10	Paralysis	No. Main St.
"	5	[1]Moses Lincoln	90	..	..	Heart Disease.	Jerusalem Road.
"	5	[2]Fr'a da C. (Goularte) Garcia	57	11	5	Pneumonia	Border St.
"	10	Alonzo L. Palmer	63	3	12	Typho Pneumonia	Pleasant St.
"	25	[2]Asahel F. Nott	61	..	..	Bright's Disease	Beechwood St.
"	29	Daniel B. Lincoln	68	5	12	Gastritis	Bow St.
eb.	6	[2]Manuel Antoine	82	..	..	Bronchitis	Stockbridge St.
lar.	2	Sarah W. (Stoddard) Pratt	85	10	..	Pulmonary Œdema	Beechwood St.
"	3	John Tyrer	79	6	19	Chr. Catarh'l Bronc'is	Sohier St.
pril	3	[1]William O. Ainslie	28	8	27	Pulmonary Phthisis	Margin St.
"	18	William A. W. Tilden	78	4	20	Pneumonia	So. Main St.
"	18	Rebecca (Lambert) Tyrer	79	4	..	Cap'y Bronchitis	Sohier St.
"	21	Isaac Phinney	69	7	.	Cystitis	Cedar St.
lay	7	Catharine M. (Ahearn) Smith	39	10	4	Cancer	Smith Place.
une	17	Louisa (Braxton) Loney	59	..	..	Paralysis	Almshonse.
uly	14	George H. Williams	2	9	7	Scarlet Fever	Border St.
"	21	[3]Sarah R. Bates	84	3	..	Senile Exhaustion	No. Main St.
"	24	Richard Collier	1	..	8	Cholera Infantum	No. Main St.
"	27	Harry H. White	..	3	..	Collapse of Lungs	Nichols Ave.
"	30	Mary E. Doane	69	9	6	Paralysis	Summer St.
"	30	[1]Mary (Sheehan) Palmer	41	3	..	Heart Disease	Pond St.
ug.	3	[1]Mary E. Desmond	5	1	..	Pneumonia	Margin St.
"	24	[4]Bessie A. (Phelps) Aldrich	60	..	4	Dysentery	Jerusalem Road.
"	24	George E. Stetson	33	1	15	Accidental Drowning	Near the Glades.
"	31	Addie L. (Wood) Craven	39	4	.	Cancer	Beechwood St.
ept.	3	[2]Mary T. Leonard	21	8	7	Tuberculosis	Elm St.
"	28	[5]Louis Duval	52	7	2	Chronic Diarrhœa	So. Main St.
ct.	20	[1]Mary (Brennan) Mulvey	69	11	20	Cancer of Liver.	James Lane.
"	25	[2]Ruth E. (Hardwick) Litchfield	37	6	..	Inflamation of Bowels	Beechwood St.
"	29	[1]Mary E. Haley	17	3	..	Tuberculosis	Pleasant St.
"	31	Ray Fuller Bates	..	..	12	Congestion of Lungs	Beechwood St.
ov.	2	——— Robbins	..	..	3	Congestion of Lungs	Jerusalem Road.
"	3	[1]Geneva Roche	..		1	Congenital Malform'n	No. Main St.
"	8	[1]Ellen J. Haley	..	4	28	Congestion of Lungs	Pleasant St.
"	19	Caroline E. (Groves) Crocker	67	8	26	Typhoid Fever	Border St.
"	23	Susan Meeker	81	10	23	Bronchitis	Beechwood St.
ec.	1	Plummer F. Falmer	37	2	17	Acute Endocarditis	Pleasant St.
"	8	Ellen D. (Sewall) Osgood	70	8	28	Int'l Stran. Intestines.	No. Main St.
"	11	[1]Julia R. (Silveria) Brazill	52	8	..	Cancer	Atlantic Ave.
"	19	[1]Hannah (Hayes) Mulcahy	45	6	..	Pulmonary Phthisis	Pleasant St.
"	20	[2]Georgianna E. Antoine	3	5	16	Whoop. Cough & Dip.	Pleasant St.
"	21	Amelia S. (Cook) Studley	81	..	2	Broncho Pneumonia.	Atlantic Ave.

1. Buried at Hingham.
2. " " Scituate.
3. Buried at Mt. Auburn.
4. " " Forest Hills.
5. Buried at Weymouth.

Of the forty-two deaths which occurred in this town during the year 1892, as per ist above, sixteen were males and twenty-six were females. Their average age was 47 ears 5 months and 29 days. Eight were under five years of age, one between five and en, none between ten and fifteen, one between fifteen and twenty, two between twenty nd thirty, five between thirty and forty, two between forty and fifty, four between ifty and sixty, eight between sixty and seventy, five between seventy and eighty, five etween eighty and ninety, and one ninety years of age.

A supplementary list of deaths is added, as usual, which contains the names of persons who have died elsewhere, who have been brought to this town, with two exceptions, for burial. The list is as follows:

DEATHS. — 1892.

Date.	NAMES.	Age. Y.	M.	D.	Cause of Death.	Place of Death.
Jan. 2	Elijah N. Barker	70	8	12	— —	Weymouth.
Feb. 29	Abigail T. Marsh	74	4	24	Apoplexy	Quincy.
May 3	Robert B. Lincoln, Jr.	6	11	22	Heart Disease	Boston.
" 16	[1]Sarah A. Ainslie	18	..	..	— —	Boston.
July 22	George Beal	68	4	..	Pulmonary Phthisis.	Newton.
Aug. 1	Daniel Hudson	63	2	7	— —	Weymouth.
" 1	Clara (Constant) Hanlon	40	..	..	Exhaustion	Somerville.
" 8	Charles H. Bushnell	34	4	..	Crushed by accident	Portsmouth harbor.
Sept. 3	William B. Tower	75	1	23	Apoplexy	Boston.
" 15	George O. Parker	52	7	..	Cerebral Softening	East Boston.
Nov. 17	[2]John O'Hare	31	..	..	Comp. frac. of Skull	Boston.
Dec. 26	Norman I. Litchfield	1	..	17	Broncho Pneumonia	Boston.

1. Buried at Hingham.

2. Buried at Concord.

N. B. TOWER, *Town Clerk.*

REPORT

OF THE

BOARD OF SELECTMEN.

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN

OF THE EXPENDITURES AND FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE TOWN OF COHASSET, FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31ST, 1892.

Soldiers' and Sailors' Relief.

Susan Meeker.

Paid H. L. Brown, groceries,	$53 94	
John W. Bates, wood and milk,	6 21	
Thos. W. Whitcomb, wood and vegetables,	9 25	
" " rent,	9 00	
Caroline L. Morris, rent,	15 00	
Bourne & Nickerson, meat,	29 45	
A. B. Litchfield, milk,	7 08	
Lincoln Bros., coal,	18 00	
Tower, Bros. & Co., coal,	8 00	
Town orders,	16 50	
P. Bates, boots,	1 25	
Dr. O. H. Howe, med. attend.,	11 00	
Dr. C. B. Bridgham, "	20 00	
F. W. Browne, medicines,	2 55	
B. F. Evans, burial,	30 00	
		$237 23

William F. Harris and Family.

Paid City of Lowell,	$76 00	
F. D. Morrison, rent,	12 00	
Town orders,	385 00	
		$473 00

Mrs. Asahel F. Nott.

Paid Town orders,	$60 00

Emily N. Phinney.

Paid Town orders,	$36 00

Mrs. Oliver Henderson and Family.

Paid City of Newburyport,	$53 25

Delia Rooney and Family,

Paid B. S. Thompson, rent,	$58 50	
Dr. C. B. Bridgham, med. attend.,	17 00	
Dr. O. H. Howe, "	5 00	
P. Bates, boots,	8 05	
		$88 55

Isaac H. Tower.

Paid P. Bates, boots and mending,	$51 50	
Cohasset Clothing Co.,	3 00	
		$54 50

Isaac Phinney.

Paid Dr. O. H. Howe, med. attend.,	$73 75

John Tyrer.

Paid Gross & Nichols, groceries,	$44 10	
Lincoln Bros., coal,	7 50	
P. Bates, boots,	2 50	
Dr. C. B. Bridgham, med. attend.,	36 00	
B. F. Evans, burial,	20 00	
		$110 10

George Powers.

Paid Town of Middleborough,	$12 25
Amount expended,	$1,198 63

State and Military Aid.

Paid Hannah F. Arnold,	$48 00	
Harriet J. Apts,	48 00	
J. Foster Doane,	104 00	
Leander W. Groce,	36 00	
Julia F. Henry,	48 00	
Alfred Haskell,	48 00	
Warren Newcomb,	54 00	
Delia Rooney,	36 00	
Willie F. Thayer,	54 00	
Robert L. Curtis,	96 00	
Asahel F. Nott,	14 00	
Daniel B. Lincoln,	10 00	
Isaac Phinney,	64 00	
Isaac H. Tower,	48 00	
Solomon J. Hayden,	131 00	
		$839 00
Amount to be reimbursed by the State,		615 50
		$223 50

State and County Tax.

Paid State Tax,	$3,832 50	
County Tax,	4,685 21	
		$8,517 71

Electric Lights.

Paid Treasurer Cohasset Electric Co.,		$5,000 00

Public Library.

Paid Abraham H. Tower, Treasurer,	$500 00	
Alterations in rooms,	650 00	
		$1,150 00

Pratt Park.

Paid Ezra Brown,	labor,	$3 51	
Wm. W. Bates,	"	11 50	
Elmer E. Bates,	"	8 00	
Thos. W. Whitcomb,	"	8 87	
Geo. W. Pratt,	"	10 50	
George Pratt,	"	2 00	
Manuel Silvia,	"	5 25	
H. J. Damon,	"	5 25	
Isaiah Lincoln,	"	4 50	
Edwin Bates,	"	5 00	
Francisco Frates,	"	7 00	
Irving W. Lincoln,	"	4 00	
W. W. Pratt,	"	5 00	
Foster Litchfield,	"	4 00	
A. B. Litchfield,	"	3 00	
J. W. Bates,	"	5 62	
James H. Morris,	"	4 00	
Aaron Pratt,	"	3 00	
			$100 00

Henry Bryant Post G. A. R.

Paid William F. Thayer, Quartermaster,	$100 00

Printing.

Paid Bates & Brown, Reports,	$230 00	
" printing,	63 50	
Cotton & Gould, tax bills,	15 50	
Pratt Bros., notices,	1 25	
		$310 25

School Appropriation.

Paid Treasurer of School Committee, ...	$11,310 00

Cohasset and Hingham Water Companies.

Paid Treasurer Cohasset Water Co., ...	$1,750 00	
" Hingham " "	150 00	
		$1,900 00

Osgood School Building.

Paid Edward E. Tower, gravel, ...	$88 37	
Newcomb B. Tower, services and expenses, .	110 27	
" " expenses of Committee, .	16 70	
A. G. Whitcomb, furniture, ...	1,046 71	
Simpson Bros., asphalt, ...	375 00	
C. F. B. Tilden, teaming, ...	26 05	
		$1,663 10

REIMBURSED.

Paid to Susan W. Farwell, tax paid in 1891, under decision of the Tax Commissioners, ...	$897 75

Abatements.

Abated from tax of 1892, ...	$225 58

Town Hall.

Paid Cohasset Electric Co., lighting, ...	$88 48	
Lincoln Bros., wood and coal, ...	39 15	
Allen C. Bates, care of stoves, etc., . . .	28 16	
Spencer H. Stoughton, repairs, ...	30 55	
John W. Brennock, "	17 85	
J. Q. A. Lothrop, insurance agent, . . .	65 00	
" " " permit, . . .	14 75	
Wm. T. Tilden, repairs, ...	7 00	
Daniel W, Pratt, "	1 00	
Amos E. Tilden, cleaning cellar, ...	5 00	
Antone Peters, " "	3 00	
Tower, Bros. & Co., lumber, ...	7 50	
Brigham Electric Co., lamps, ...	7 44	
		$314 88

Watering Streets.

Paid Hingham Water Co., water,	$220 00	
Est. Alden Beal, watering streets,	300 00	
Charles S. Bates, " "	500 00	
Charles F. Tilden, repairs on pump,	17 50	
		$1,037 50

Fire Department.

Paid to order of Fire Engineers,	$807 65

Jerusalem Road Extension.

Paid Samuel Nichols, gravel,	$2,000 00	
" " labor,	105 00	
Frank F. Martin, Jr., drilling,	26 03	
Ziba C. Small, repairs,	6 00	
N. W. Treat, "	2 55	
		$2,139 58

Highways.

Paid Philander Bates, Superintendent of Streets,	$9,104 00

Removing Snow.

Paid William O. Souther and others,	$190 59	
Thomas D. Blossom "	25 00	
Samuel E. Pratt "	129 18	
Amos E. Tilden "	78 11	
C. F. B. Tilden "	121 00	
Thomas L. Bates "	59 75	
Est. Alden Beal "	42 50	
P. Bates, paid to sundry persons,	126 71	
C. F. Tilden, snow plow repairs,	1 00	
E. E. Wentworth, " "	2 50	
		$776 34

Town Officers.

Paid J. Q. A. Lothrop, services and expenses as Selectman and Assessor,	$300 49	
Philander Bates, services and expenses as Selectman and Assessor,	270 00	
Philander Bates, copying Valuation Book, State,	30 00	
Caleb F, Nichols, services and expenses as Selectman and Assessor,	270 00	
Caleb F. Nichols, copying Valuation Book, State,	30 00	
Abraham H. Tower, Treasurer and Collector of Taxes,	300 00	
Newcomb B. Tower, Town Clerk,	75 00	
" " Registrar of Voters,	22 45	
John M. Damon, " "	16 20	
C. James Pratt, " "	16 20	
Charles F. Tilden, " "	16 20	
Andrew H. Prouty, Constable,	12 00	
Henry E. Brennock, "	46 00	
A. Bradford Litchfield, "	25 00	
John Roche, Jr., "	35 00	
Allen C. Bates, Sealer of Weights and Measures,	50 00	
A. H. Tower, Election Officer,	5 00	
Spencer H. Stoughton, "	5 00	
Henry E. Brennock, " 1891,	3 00	
Caleb Lothrop, Auditor,	25 00	
Edward E. Wentworth, Constable,	135 00	
		$1,687 54

Incidental Expenses.

Paid Peter C. Kimball, lunch for Commissioners and Selectmen,	$27 00	
Manuel S. Enos, distributing reports,	6 00	
Benj. F. Evans, return of deaths,	10 75	
C. W. Sparrell, " "	1 75	
Frank F. Antone, care of tramps,	13 75	
Henry E. Brennock, " " and lockup,	27 00	
Gross & Nichols, crackers and cheese,	4 07	
Andrew H. Prouty, care of tramps,	10 50	
Manuel Jason, lodging travelers,	2 00	
Frank F. Antone, court fees,	21 91	
Beal's Express,	5 10	
John W. Brennock, making jury-box,	5 00	
E. Howard Clock Co., town clock repairs,	41 85	
Amount carried forward,	$176 68	

Amount brought forward,	$176 68
Whittier Manuf. Co., weights, town clock,	41 48
Daniel N. Tower, labor, "	3 50
Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber,	76
Charles F. Tilden, iron work,	3 65
Dr. O. H. Howe, return of births,	5 00
Dr. C. B. Bridgham, " "	5 00
Elmer E. Bates and others, forest fires,	15 25
White, Holman & Co., chairs,	82 50
C. F. B. Tilden, horse-hire for Constables,	5 50
Amos E. Tilden, " " "	13 25
" " " " Selectmen,	48 75
" " " " Assessors,	26 00
" " " " Town Clerk,	6 75
" " " " Registrars,	5 00
" " " " Flagstaff,	75
E. L. Burdakin, copy of records,	20 00
J. Q. A. Lothrop, Agent, rent of shop,	20 00
Frank M. Nichols, Straits Pond gate,	1 60
Frank B. Cook, lettering stone,	13 00
John W. Brennock, flagstaff,	5 00
Gross & Nichols, postage and paper,	64 13
Milton H. Reamy, photograph for road case,	24 00
Frank H. Burt, stenographer, "	33 00
J. Q. A. Lothrop, services and expenses, road case,	20 00
C. F. Nichols, services,	5 00
Daniel N. Tower, plan and survey, road case,	12 50
" " Pratt's Park survey,	6 00
State of Massachusetts, book for registrars,	1 25
Allen C. Bates, fountains,	1 58
M. E. Bosworth, Straits pond gate,	15 33
Alfred Beal, care of " "	70 80
Geo. O. Higgins, park at Cove,	5 00
Treasurer Cohasset Central Cemetery,	50 00
James Dean, seal bounty,	3 00
Andrew J. Studley, seal bounty,	3 00
Louis N. Lincoln, care of town hall,	19 00
Daniel B. Francis, repairs of pump,	2 00
Manuel S. Leonard, Board of Health,	7 75
Geo. W. Morse, " "	6 00
James O'Brien, " "	8 00
Manuel R. Silvia, " "	8 00
Manuel P. Valine, " "	5 00
Caleb F. Nichols, " "	3 00
Philander Bates, " "	5 00
Amount carried forward,	$877 76

Amount brought forward,	$877 76	
Robert B. Pratt, engine-house steps,	3 75	
Wm. T. Tilden, " "	5 00	
Israel C. Vinal, " "	3 35	
Tower, Bros. & Co., lumber, engine-house steps,	4 70	
" " envelopes, Town Clerk,	5 50	
" " flagstaff, manilla,	1 64	
Charles F. Tilden, repairs on hearse,	3 60	
" " iron work,	3 25	
N. B. Tower, stationery and typewriter,	18 75	
" " recording births, marriages and deaths,	36 00	
" " paid expressing,	1 95	
Caleb F. Nichols, town lines,	6 00	
Philander Bates, "	6 00	
Edward E. Wentworth, Board of Health,	8 00	
" " road case,	53 50	
" " witness fees,	12 50	
" " special service,	16 00	
		$1,067 25

Amount of Expenditures.

Soldiers' and Sailors' Relief,	$1,198 63	
State and Military Aid,	839 00	
State and County Tax,	8,517 71	
Electric Lights,	5,000 00	
Public Library,	1,150 00	
Pratt Park,	100 00	
Henry Bryant Post G. A. R.,	100 00	
Printing,	310 25	
School Appropriation,	11,310 00	
Water Companies,	1,900 00	
Osgood School Building,	1,663 10	
Susan W. Farwell, reimbursement,	897 75	
Abatements,	225 58	
Town Hall,	314 88	
Watering Streets,	1,037 50	
Fire Department,	807 65	
Jerusalem Road Extension,	2,139 58	
Highways,	9,104 00	
Removing Snow,	776 34	
Town Officers,	1,687 54	
Incidental Expenses,	1,067 25	
Support and Relief of Poor,	6,934 24	
		$57,081 00

Indebtedness of the Town,

JANUARY, 1893.

DEMAND NOTES.

Martha T. Bates,	$1,000 00	
A. H. Tower, Trustee Lothrop heirs,	3,700 00	
Cohasset Savings Bank, six notes,	29,000 00	
		$33,700 00

OSGOOD SCHOOL HOUSE DEBT.

Ten time notes of $3,000 each,	$30,000 00
Total interest bearing debt,	$63,700 00

Assets of the Town,

JANUARY, 1893.

Due from State for State and Military Aid,	$615 50	
" " for paupers,	72 00	
" Mendoca Estate,	575 00	
" O'Brien "	100 00	
" Enos "	620 00	
" Lyons "	338 68	
" Morey "	450 00	
" Town of Easton,	344 05	
" Guardian of William Kilburn,	550 00	
" Balance in Treasury,	5,596 94	
		$9,262 17

Total debt of the Town, December 31, 1892,	$63,700 00
Deduct Assets,	9,262 17
	$54,437 83

Respectfully submitted,

J. Q. A. LOTHROP,
PHILANDER BATES,
CALEB F. NICHOLS,
Selectmen of Cohasset.

REPORT

OF THE

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

For the Year Ending December 31, 1892.

Paid Karen M. Trommer, salary,	$152 00
George W. Tinkham, "	333 33
" " sundry bills,	45 25
Caleb F. Nichols, groceries,	195 50
Herbert L. Brown, grain and groceries,	261 88
Wallace Willcutt, "	103 56
M. B. Stetson & Co., "	107 48
Gross & Nichols, " "	281 25
Joseph St. John, " "	67 78
David B. Tower, "	32 02
Tower, Bro. & Co., "	24 22
" " lumber, paint and coal,	110 48
Frances H. Nichols, dry goods,	103 54
Wm. F. Thayer & Son, meat,	153 72
Bourne & Nickerson, "	157 60
Lincoln Bros., coal,	151 23
Danforth Sylvester, fish, etc.,	97 07
Charles F. Tilden, smithing,	70 25
Edward E. Wentworth, "	38 25
Samuel Nichols, plants,	3 00
B. F. Evans, burials,	40 00
Edwin G. Stewart, killing horse, etc.,	6 00
Cohasset Clothing Co.,	83 80
Beal's Express,	7 65
Boston Herald Co., advertising,	11 25
Dr. O. H. Howe, med. attend.,	32 00
Dr. C. B. Bridgham, "	33 00
John W. Bates, wagon,	50 00
Charles E. McKenzie, smithing,	2 00
Allen C. Bates, tin ware, etc.,	116 19
Amount carried forward,	$2,871 30

Amount brought forward,	$2,871 30	
Samuel G. James, stock, etc.,	5 50	
C. F. B. Tilden, horse,	115 00	
Harry W. Souther, Boston Globe,	6 00	
J. C. Howe, bread,	2 76	
W. P. Marlowe, carpenter,	13 13	
Bela Stoddard, mason,	7 50	
Fred T. Bailey, repairs on machine,	2 33	
J. M. Cutting, vet. surgeon,	6 50	
Samuel D. Tower, repairs, 1891,	35 00	
Wm. H. Beal, " etc.,	15 05	
Philander Bates, boots, shoes, etc.,	22 87	
Seaverns & Spear, furniture, etc.,	52 40	
Amos E. Tilden, horse-hire,	33 00	
" " pigs,	12 00	
Frank W. Browne, medicine, etc.,	59 91	
Wm. O. Souther, ice,	22 52	
Thos. W. Whitcomb, killing hogs,	3 50	
Overseers, services,	90 00	
		$3,376 27

AMOUNT RECEIVED FROM SALES AND INCOME.

Rec'd from A. H. Tower, trustee for J. J. Lothrop,	$180 00	
" J. Q. A. Lothrop, sales,	42 90	
" Philander Bates, produce,	20 14	
" Geo. W. Tinkham, sales,	49 16	
" Wm. F. Thayer & Son, stock,	39 50	
" Gross & Nichols, eggs,	35 89	
" M. B. Stetson & Co.,	24	
" Manuel Silvia, 2d, interest,	34 70	
		$402 53
Debit brought forward,	$3,376 27	
Credit " "	402 53	
Almshouse debtor to balance,		$2,973 74

The following persons have been inmates of the Almshouse during the year 1892:

Elizabeth Hudson,
Augusta Silvia,
Jane B. Lambert,
Louisa Loney,
William Hayden,
John R. Colbrith,
William C. Hayden,
Antone George,
Philip Sullivan,
John L. Morey,
Solomon J. Hayden,
John J. Lothrop, boarder.

PARTIAL SUPPORT OF PERSONS OUTSIDE OF ALMSHOUSE.

Mary F. Dean and five children.

Paid Lot W. Bates, rent,	$20 00	
H. L. Brown, groceries,	66 03	
Bourne & Nickerson, meat,	13 73	
Edwin Bates, wood,	12 30	
Lincoln Bros., coal,	14 50	
Dr. O. H. Howe, med. attend.,	49 00	
A. L. Jenkins, nursing,	46 00	
Samuel E. Pratt, milk,	20 00	
Frances H. Nichols, dry goods,	6 72	
Cohasset Clothing Co.,	7 00	
P. Bates, boots,	5 75	
F. W. Browne, medicine,	1 45	
Belinda J. Ainslie, meals and washing,	43 00	
Sarah Bates, labor,	3 00	
Elmer E. Bates, "	5 50	
A. B. Litchfield, "	21 50	
Mrs. Edwin Bates, cleaning,	8 00	
Mrs. Edwin W. Bates, "	9 25	
Gross & Nichols, sulphur,	2 52	
		$355 25

Abner N. Bates and wife.

Paid H. L. Brown, groceries,	$49 33	
Bourne & Nickerson, meat,	11 27	
Lincoln Bros., coal,	14 50	
John W. Bates, wood and milk,	7 11	
Dr. O. H. Howe, med. attend.,	12 50	
Frank W. Browne, medicine,	3 00	
Thos. W. Whitcomb, rent,	15 00	
		$112 71

John E. Groce.

Paid orders on Treasurer,	$156 00

Mary L. McGrath and child.

Paid orders on Treasurer,	$60 00	
P. Bates, boots,	6 93	
Dr. C. B. Bridgham, med. attend.,	2 00	
		$68 93

Henry L. Bates, wife and six children.

Paid Town of Norwell,	$1 00	
R. W. Killam, groceries,	126 68	
J. H. Hackett, wood,	6 25	
		$133 93

Caroline Silvia.

Paid Dr. C. B. Bridgham, med. attend.,		$35 00

Mary Martin.

Paid John Ferriera, rent,	$40 00	
Dr. O. H. Howe, med. attend.,	3 00	
		$43 00

Oren A. Beal.

Paid Dr. O. H. Howe, med. attend. wife,	$131 00	
Joseph Ripley, burial of wife,	30 00	
		$161 00

Lois A. Ney and two children.

Paid Thos. W. Whitcomb, rent,	$28 50	
Aaron Pratt, rent,	36 00	
H. L. Brown, groceries,	118 81	
Tower, Bros. & Co., coal,	16 75	
Lincoln Bros., "	9 00	
Dr. C. B. Bridgham, med. attend.,	5 00	
		$214 06

Joseph E. Smith and two children.

Paid Lot W. Bates, rent,	$40 00	
H. L. Brown, groceries,	141 20	
Lincoln Bros., coal,	7 50	
Tower, Bros. & Co., coal,	8 00	
Cohasset Clothing Co.,	19 00	
P. Bates, boots,	7 90	
Dr. C. B. Bridgham, med. attend.,	28 00	
Frank W. Browne, medicines,	15 30	
C. W. Sparrel, burials,	57 00	
		$323 90

Mrs. Morris, Mrs. Burbank and one child.

Paid Lot W. Bates, rent,	$40 00	
H. L. Brown, groceries,	142 15	
Bourne & Nickerson, meat,	30 34	
Samuel E. Pratt, milk,	20 88	
Tower, Bros. & Co., coal,	17 00	
Lincoln Bros., "	15 75	
Edwin Bates, wood,	19 70	
Dr. O. H. Howe, med. attend.,	34 00	
Town orders,	15 00	
		$334 82

Sabra W. Clark.

Paid orders on Treasurer,		$48 00

William H. Litchfield, wife and four children.

Paid H. E. Webb, groceries,	$72 00	
Seaverns & Spear, "	25 00	
Lincoln Bros., wood and coal,	42 50	
P. Bates, boots,	6 50	
		$146 00

Daniel Desmond.

Paid order on Treasurer,	$10 00

George Munnies and family.

Paid Dr. O. H. Howe, med. attend.,	$18 50	
Frank W. Browne, medicine,	1 35	
		$19 85

Patrick Lyons and wife.

Paid Dr. O. H. Howe, med. attend.,	$11 50

Southward Pratt.

Paid B. S. Thompson, rent,	$48 00	
Orders on Treasurer,	20 00	
P. Bates, boots,	2 00	
		$70 00

Emma Barnes and two children.

Paid orders on Treasurer,	20 00	

Sarah Ainslie and child.

Paid city of Boston,	$88 72

Mrs. Frank Antone.

Paid Dr. C. B. Bridgham, med. attend.,	$52 00

James St. John.

Paid heirs of J. O. Lawrence, rent,	$40 00

SUPPORT OF PERSONS IN HOSPITALS.

Paid Taunton Lunatic Hospital:		
Jane C. White,	$169 92	
Joanna Colbrith,	169 92	
William Kilburn,	148 10	
Worcester Insane Asylum:		
Elizabeth J. Dady,	169 93	
Julia Macomber,	169 93	
State of Massachusetts:		
George B. Williams,	146 40	
		$974 20
Paid J. Q. A. Lothrop, services and expenses,	$72 50	
Philander Bates, " "	36 60	
Caleb F. Nichols, " "	30 00	
		$139 10

AMOUNT TO BE REIMBURSED TO THE TOWN.

Town of Easton,	$344 05	
" Hingham,	20 00	
State of Massachusetts,	72 00	
Philander Bates, guardian of Wm. Kilburn,	689 63	
Joseph S. Enos, interest,	37 20	
Joseph E. Gracia, "	6 00	
A. B. Litchfield, Dean family,	11 95	
		$1,180 83
Paid Almshouse account,	$3,376 27	
Outside relief,	3,557 96	
		$6,934 23
Amount of credit, Almshouse,	$402 53	
" " Outside,	1,180 83	
		$1,583 36
Amount of Almshouse and Outside expense,	$6,934 23	
" " " credit	1,583 36	
		$5,350 87

Respectfully submitted.

J. Q. A. LOTHROP,
PHILANDER BATES,
CALEB F. NICHOLS,
Overseers of Poor of Cohasset.

Amounts estimated by the Selectmen required to meet the Expenses of the Town for the ensuing year:

For Payment of Debt,	$3,000 00
Payment of Interest,	2,500 00
Support of Schools,	11,300 00
Support and Relief of Poor,	5,000 00
Highways and Sidewalks,	7,000 00
Electric Lights,	5,000 00
Cohasset and Hingham Water Companies,	1,900 00
Soldiers' and Sailors' Relief,	1,000 00
Town Officers,	1,600 00
Watering Streets,	1,100 00
Incidentals,	1,000 00
Fire Department,	700 00
Removing Snow,	500 00
Public Library,	500 00
Printing,	300 00
Military Aid,	200 00
Town Hall,	200 00
G. A. R. Post,	100 00
	$42,900 00

The amount to be raised by taxation may be determined at the Annual Meeting.

Table of Aggregates.

Valuation of Real Estate, 1891,	$2,308,866 00
Valuation of Personal Estate, 1891,	1,589,047 00
Total valuation of 1891,	$3,897,913 00
Valuation of Real Estate, 1892,	$2,382,960 00
Valuation of Personal Estate, 1892,	1,688,447 00
Total Valuation of 1892,	$4,071,407 00
Increase of Real Estate, 1892,	$74,094 00
Increase of Personal Estate, 1892,	99,400 00
Total increase in 1892,	$173,494 00
Number of Polls, 1892, Males,	625
" " " Females,	22
State Tax, 1892,	$3,832 50
County Tax, 1892,	4,685 21
Town Grant, 1892,	18,695 00
Overlayings, 1892,	920 04
Total Tax, 1892,	$28,152 75
Rate per cent. on $1,000,	$6 60
Number of Dwellings assessed, 1892,	584
" Acres " "	5,961
" Persons " "	1,042
" " " on property, 1892,	734
" " " on poll tax, "	308
" Horses, "	387
" Cows, "	343
" Neat Cattle, "	95
" Swine, "	28

List of Jurors

Drawn During the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1892.

February 6,	William W. Studley,	Supreme Jud'l Court.
March 24,	Samuel E. Pratt,	Grand Juror.
"	Ezekiel L. James,	Superior Court.
April 13,	John M. Damon,	" "
September 1,	Warren S. Gammons,	" "
" 16,	Charles F. Bennett,	" "
December 1,	Israel C. Vinal,	" "
" 23,	Edward E. Ellms,	" "

List of Jurors

To be revised and accepted by the Town at the Annual Meeting to be held March 6, 1893.

Abraham J. Antone,
Elmer E. Bates,
Edwin Bates,
Cyrus H. Bates,
George W. Beal,
James S. Beal,
Thomas D. Blossom,
Charles P. Bourne,
Morton S. Crehore,
Charles Harris,
Leander W. Groce,
Thomas W. Doyle,
George R. Howe,
Amos A. Lawrence,
J. Loring Litchfield,
Waldo C. Locke,
Spencer H. Stoughton,
Sylvanus F. Treat,
Frank E. Winslow,
Levi Lincoln,
Levi L. Nichols,
James Pettee,
C. James Pratt,
William H. Reed,
John Roche Jr.,
Walter S. Tower,
Levi L. Worrick,
A. Bradford Litchfield,
Otis V. Barnes,
Ezra Brown,
Charles C. Coolidge,
Ezekiel L. James,
Abraham Lincoln,
George W. Pratt,
William O. Souther,
William T. Tilden,
Samuel D. Tower,
Samuel L. Williams.

REPORT

OF THE

TOWN TREASURER.

Dr. Town of Cohasset in Account with

1892–1893.

To paid Selectmen's Orders for the current year,		$36,188 71
State and Military Aid,		839 00
Abatements,		225 58
School Appropriation, 1892,		11,310 00
Dog Licenses and Interest of Ripley Fund, applied to School account,		279 47
Commonwealth of Massachusetts National Bank Tax refunded, 1891,		47 52
Commonweath of Mass., State Tax, 1892,		3,832 50
County of Norfolk Tax, 1892,		4,685 21
Cohasset Savings Bank, demand notes,		9,000 00
" " " hired money, 1892,		9,000 00
Interest on Town's Notes,		3,422 79
		$78,830 78
Balance in Treasury, carried to credit new account,		5,596 94
		$84,427 72

COHASSET, January, 1893.

Abraham H. Tower, Treasurer. Cr.

1892–1893.

By balance in Treasury, from former account,	$4,208 74
Received Corporation Tax, 1891, additional,	14,297 91
Corporation Tax, 1892,	13,609 28
National Bank Tax, 1892,	2,601 43
State and Military Aid, 1892,	697 00
State Pauper account,	148 17
State Aid to H. F. Sylvia, 1892,	42 00
Norfolk County Dog Licenses, 1891,	239 07
City of Gloucester, supplies, 1891,	5 00
Town of Easton, " "	462 89
Town of Hingham, " 1892,	20 00
C. A. Welch, from sale South School House Property,	1,400 00
From Kilburn Estate, net,	689 63
Lincoln, Lothrop & Pratt, Auctioneer's licenses, 1892,	6 00
License fee from Pedlar,	8 00
East Norfolk District Court fines, fees, etc.,	4 96
Cohasset Water Co., amount overpaid, 1891,	1 00
Hingham Water Co., work on pipes,	5 75
Louis N. Lincoln, income, Town Hall,	32 00
Superintendent of Streets, for loam sold,	33 75
" " " old bridge timber,	5 50
Joseph S. Enos, interest on Note,	37 20
Manuel Sylvia, 2nd, interest on Note,	34 70
Joseph E. Grassia, " " "	6 00
Interest on Bank Deposits and Delinquent Taxes,	173 13
Interest from Ripley Fund, 1892,	40 40
Discount on County Tax, paid in anticipation,	46 85
Balance unexpended, Town Common appropriation,	27 65
A. H. Tower, Trustee, for support of J. J. Lothrop at Alms House, 1892,	180 00
Sundry Persons, for Produce at Alms House,	195 08
Litchfield & Bates, for sale of Dean Effects,	11 95
Additional Taxes, etc., 1891,	3 93
Cohasset Savings Bank, Osgood School Loan additional,	3,000 00
" " " hired money, 1892,	14,000 00
Tax List, 1892,	28,152 75
	$84,427 72

ABRAHAM H. TOWER, *Treasurer.*

Town Common Account.

1892. DR.

To paid M. B. Stetson & Co., grass seed,		$ 75
John Donovan, work,		3 50
James O'Brien, "		8 00
Joseph F. Sylvia, "		8 00
Edward E. Tower, "		16 68
C. F. Tilden, repairs fence,		20 45
Balance credited Town Treasurer's account,		27 65
		$85 03

CREDIT.

By balance unexpended, 1891,	$70 53
from sale of five posts,	2 50
" " grass,	12 00
	$85 03

Report of the Superintendent of Streets.

To the Board of Selectmen:

GENTLEMEN:—In submitting my report for 1892, I can add nothing to what has appeared in former reports in regard to the plans carried out in repairs of roads. At the last annual meeting one thousand dollars was added to the amount recommended for highways, made necessary in consequence of the storms of last winter raising the tide so that the beaches on the Jerusalem Road extension were overflowed, washing away the road, especially on Sandy Beach, and the road crossing the beach near the Black Rock Hotel was covered with beach gravel. On Sandy Beach a stone break-water has been built, some four hundred feet in length, the road graded requiring 241 double loads of gravel at a cost of $622.27. At the beach near Black Rock Hotel the gravel washed upon the road was removed in part, the road graded with gravel and clay, 72 double loads being used. A line of heavy stone was laid nearly the entire length of the town line at a cost of $246.75.

On Pleasant Beach the break-water built at the time the road was laid out was extended nearly 200 feet, the face cemented and road repaired. This work was done in connection with the widening and improving of the hill near the summer residence of Mr. Spaulding and the exact cost cannot be given, but the amount would exceed the special appropriation for this purpose. This work has been done in a substantial manner and I think will protect the roads from the wash of the sea in future.

The southerly end of South Main street has been rebuilt and graded in accordance with a vote of the town that six hundred dollars should be spent on that portion of the road and the amount taken from appropriation for highways. At the annual meeting the matter of street-crossings was referred to the Superintendent of streets, without an appropriation. It was my purpose to lay granite blocks on the line of sidewalk across Depot Avenue, but quite a number of citizens advised putting in concrete crossings. I investigated the matter and learned it could be done in a substantial manner, but the cost for a job of that size would be $1.50 per square yard and the parties whom I consulted could not do it last fall. It is a matter of especial interest to people who have to cross our streets in muddy walking and should receive attention at an early date.

One of the places mentioned in my last report as needing special repairs was the widening of the road and building a substantial fence near Steep Rocks on Jerusalem Road. The work was not done as the appropriation was spent in other places. This should receive attention early in the spring.

The roads in the centre of the town, in my judgment, are as needy as any, and another season should receive a large portion of the appropriation. There has been carted upon the roads the last season 1,021 double loads of crushed stone, 1,257 double loads and 338 single loads of gravel. I would suggest that the sum of $7,000 be recommended for repairs of highways and sidewalks the coming year, $1,000 to be spent in concrete crossings and sidewalks. If this amount is spent the cost per square yard would undoubtedly be less than for a smaller amount.

The following is a statement of appropriations and amounts paid for labor, teams, gravel and crushed stone:

Amount of balance unexpended as per last report,	$176 10	
" " appropriation,	9,000 00	
" received for loam,	33 75	
" " Hingham Water Co. covering pipes,	5 75	
		$9,215 60
Amount expended as per account,		9,104 00
Balance,		$111 60

Paid George E. Davis, team,	$310 25	
Estate of Alden Beal, "	356 55	
Edward E. Tower, "	372 22	
C. F. B. Tilden, "	160 12	
George W. Mealy, "	182 42	
Louis T. Cushing, "	178 62	
Joseph Jason, "	228 38	
Amount carried forward,	$1,788 56	

Amount brought forward,		$1,788 56
John W. Bates,	team	31 50
William W. Bates,	"	49 25
Waldo C. Locke,	"	121 68
Horace J. Damon,	"	113 15
Thomas W. Whitcomb,	"	31 50
Thomas Loney,	"	45 00
Edward E. Ellms,	"	60 25
Manuel S. Leonard,	"	188 00
Elmer E. Bates,	"	111 13
Warren Bates,	"	54 00
Amos E. Tilden,	"	455 55
John Beal,	"	2 62
Ira B. Pratt,	"	25 41
Joseph W. Whitcomb,	"	41 24
George W. Pratt,	"	24 62
Manuel Silvia, 2nd,	"	5 25
Samuel E. Pratt,	"	26 25
Oliver H. Bates,	"	36 75
Levi Lincoln,	"	7 88
Edwin W. Bates,	"	15 75
Oren R. Beal,	labor	24 01
Thomas Reedy,	"	2 00
Abner N. Bates,	"	31 00
Harry C. Bates,	"	54 00
John S. Gracia,	"	44 06
Joseph E. Gracia,	"	70 50
George E. Antone,	"	27 75
Antone Salvador,	"	39 50
Joseph A. Antone,	"	30 00
George E. Stetson,	"	40 00
William White,	"	34 00
Hosea Cushing,	"	40 00
Manuel Silvia, 3rd,	"	65 00
Andrew H. Prouty,	"	15 00
Alson S. Richardson,	"	149 95
Manuel Oliver,	"	26 00
Manuel Silvia,	"	322 78
Joseph F. Silvia,	"	109 00
Frank Silvia,	"	14 50
James O'Brien,	"	268 88
Frederic G. James,	"	52 00
Frank Pearson,	"	29 00
Otis V. Barnes,	"	219 20
Frank M. Nichols,	"	58 25
Thomas Mulcahy,	"	68 00
Amount carried forward,		$5,069 72

Amount brought forward,		$5,069 72
John E. F. Frates,	labor	46 00
Manuel P. Valine,	"	144 25
Plummer F. Palmer,	"	6 50
Stephen Riley,	"	171 50
Manuel E. Brazil,	"	105 30
George M. Ennis,	"	91 00
Patrick Downs,	"	10 00
Michael Mannix,	"	24 00
Henry Bates,	"	119 50
William O. Souther,	"	6 63
N. W. Treat,	"	17 55
Thomas S. Gracia,	"	12 00
J. Loring Litchfield,	"	23 00
Manuel S. Enos,	"	38 00
Frank Frates,	"	24 67
George Pratt,	"	3 00
W. Irving Lincoln,	"	12 67
Edwin Bates,	"	9 67
Foster Litchfield,	"	17 67
A. B. Litchfield,	"	12 67
George F. Sargent,	"	3 00
John W. Frates,	"	9 00
Anthony Frates,	"	11 00
Franklin Stoddard,	"	9 00
Robert L. Curtis,	"	5 00
Thomas Stevens,	"	9 00
Ellery C. Bates,	"	7 00
Joseph Groce,	"	7 00
William H. Pratt,	"	4 00
Andrew E. Taylor,	"	58 00
Lorenzo Beal,	"	53 00
Joseph F. Priest,	"	49 00
Israel C. Vinal,	"	34 25
M. F. Dickinson, Jr.,	sidewalk,	100 00
Philander Bates,	services and expenses,	700 00
Cohasset Water Co.,	use of Battery,	5 00
M. Donahue,	sharpening drills,	9 28
C. E. West,	rendrock and fuse,	6 93
Gross & Nichols,	rendrock and fuse,	68 67
James L. Bates,	stone,	1 50
E. E. Wentworth,	smithing,	11 65
C. F. Tilden,	"	62 27
Thomas F. Kinsley,	posts,	10 00
Joseph Caton,	"	3 00
Allen C. Bates,	tools,	8 58
Amount carried forward,		$7,210 43

Amount brought forward,	$7,210	43
Tower, Bros. & Co., drain pipe, etc.,	109	42
Lincoln Bros., coal,	2	15
Samuel Nichols, gravel,	74	00
John C. Howe, "	10	25
Patrick Downs, "	8	88
H. G. Dick, "	27	00
Lot W. Bates, "	60	25
John Beal, crushed stone,	697	50
E. E. Tower, "	528	75
" " gravel,	284	68
D. O. Wade, "	18	00
" " lumber, etc.,	8	55
Aaron Pratt, gravel,	52	29
Isaiah Lincoln, "	10	60
Richard H. Priest, "	1	25
Amount expended,		$9,104 00

Respectfully submitted,

PHILANDER BATES, *Supt.*

Auditor's Report.

I have examined the several accounts of Selectmen, Treasurer, Superintendent of Streets, School Committee and Fire Engineers for 1892, and find as follows:

Balance from last year's report,	$4,208	74
Amount of Tax List for 1892,	28,152	75
" other receipts,	35,066	23
" hired money,	17,000	00
		$84,427 72

Amount of Selectmen's orders, as per vouchers,	$57,081	00
Paid hired money,	18,000	00
" interest, etc.,	3,749	78
Balace in cash and unpaid taxes,	5,596	94
		$84,427 72

CALEB LOTHROP, *Auditor.*

COHASSET, January 30, 1893.

REPORT

OF THE

BOARD OF ENGINEERS

OF THE

COHASSET

FIRE DEPARTMENT,

For the Year Ending December 31, 1892.

BOARD OF ENGINEERS, 1892-93.

EDWARD E. WENTWORTH, Chief.

CHARLES A. GROSS, First Assistant.

HENRY E. BRENNOCK, Second Assistant.

HENRY T. P. BATES, Clerk.

ALSON S. RICHARDSON, A. BRADFORD LITCHFIELD.

AUDITING COMMITTEE.

CHARLES A. GROSS, HENRY E. BRENNOCK.

COMPANIES AND APPARATUS.

ENGINE ONE.

Junction South Main and Elm Streets. Hand Engine, with Hose Reel carrying 500 feet. Eleven men. Stephen R. Nichols, foreman; Ruben F. Tower, clerk.

HOOK AND LADDER ONE.

Border Street, opposite Summer. Ladder Truck, eight ladders and hooks, and Boston Extension Ladder. Twelve men. George Jason, foreman; Frank F. Martin, Jr., clerk.

ZACCHEUS RICH HOSE ONE.

Border Street, opposite Summer. Hose Wagon, carrying 1,000 feet. Thirteen men. Harry E. Mapes, foreman; Thomas A. Rich, clerk.

HOSE TWO.

Corner Jerusalem Road and Hull Street. Hose Reel, carrying 500 feet. Four men. James S. Beal, foreman.

Report of the Board of Engineers.

To the Selectmen of Cohasset:

GENTLEMEN:— In accordance with the requirements of the Public Statutes the gentlemen appointed by your Board to constitute the Board of Engineers of the Cohasset Fire Department for the year ending April 30, 1893, met at the house of Zaccheus Rich Hose 1, on the evening of May 4, 1892, and organized by the choice of officers as enumerated upon the title page of this report.

In presenting the second annual report of the Fire Department we can but point with pride to the improvement which has been wrought in the personel and equipment during the past twelve months, and express our appreciation of the kind words which have been spoken by many of our citizens and the expressions of their approval of our earnest efforts to put the Department of our town upon an equal footing in the matter of efficiency and discipline with those of other towns of the state.

The Year's Improvements.

During the year many important changes have been found necessary in the management of the Department and we feel that every change that we have thus far made has worked to the advantage of the town and served to increase the efficiency of the various companies.

There is yet much more which ought to be accomplished, but which can be only by the liberal expenditure of money. In the following report will be found a general summary of what has thus far been accomplished and recommendations for improvements which we unanimously believe the best interests of the town demand.

New Company of Engine 1.

At our regular monthly meeting in May, it having become apparent that the company of Engine 1 was not in harmony with this Board and that dissensions of such a nature as to greatly depreciate the efficiency of that company existed, it was decided best to look about and consider the matter of either reorganizing the company then in charge of the apparatus, or forming an entirely new one. Action upon the approbation of the officers previously elected by that company was, therefore, deferred.

On the 10th day of May, the clerk of this board received the resignations of thirteen members of the company of Engine 1, and on the following evening, at a special meeting of this Board, the resignations were accepted by unanimous vote, and the other

members of the company were honorably discharged from the Department. At the same meeting it was voted that Messrs. Harry F. Tilden, Harry W. Lincoln and Reuben F. Tower be invited to form a new company for Engine 1.

On the following Saturday evening, May 14, those gentlemen met with the Board and, accepting the invitation to form a company, the apparatus was placed in their charge. Within a few days they had succeeded in forming a company composed of twelve active and intelligent young men, and this company has continued in charge of the apparatus up to the present time, taking the greatest possible interest in the work of the Department, as well as having converted the interior of the engine house, both hall and engine room, from a dirty, damp and uninviting place, into one of the cleanest, best equipped and most homelike Department houses to be found in the state. The greater portion of the expenses necessary to this result have been borne by the members of the company, personally, and at only a very trifling expense to the Department.

Improvements in House of Engine 1.

At the house of Engine 1 we have also caused to be made several very much needed improvements and repairs. The drainage from the hill back of the house has always run directly under the rear wall of the building and into the engine room, flooding the floor at times to the depth of from four to six inches. In order to remedy this evil we found it necessary to have the flaging taken up through the centre of the room and a dry drain placed under it, running to the front wall of the building, and thus carrying all drainage under the floor and into the street gutters. The result of this improvement is an engine room now absolutely dry at all times, making it now possible to keep any amount of hose in the room without the former danger of its constantly rotting and becoming unfit for service. We believe that the expense of this work will be more than saved to the town in a year, from hose thus saved.

During the year we have also caused town water to be introduced into the building, this proving a great convenience to the company in the washing of hose and other property of the Department, which good policy demands should be kept clean.

We have also caused to be made such changes in the engine room as to admit of the engine standing in the room with horse pole attached at all times, thus making a saving of from five to ten minutes in the time required by the company in responding to an alarm.

Extension Ladder.

By virtue of the authority given us at the annual town meeting in March last, we have procured for the Department an extension ladder.

In selecting this we thoroughly investigated the respective merits of the three most prominent ladders on the market, the "Somerville," "Boston" and "Bangor," and witnessed the practical workings of each. This investigation indicated most conclusively that the most acceptable ladder for us to purchase, in view of strength, weight, safety, durability and general utility, was the "Boston" ladder. We, therefore, purchased one of that make, which has been placed upon the truck of Hook and Ladder 1, some slight changes in the truck being made necessary by the width of the ladder.

The company has frequently drilled with the ladder and has become thoroughly familiar with its workings and now handles it with the ease and skill of veterans. With it we have placed a man with a line of hose, on the bell deck of the spire of the Unitarian church, in six minutes from the striking of a false alarm, the companies of both Hook and Ladder and Hose 1, making the run with apparatus from their houses at the harbor.

In connection with this matter it may be interesting to our citizens to know that we have in the company of Hook and Ladder 1, the only fire company in this state which is composed exclusively of men of Portuguese descent; men who have followed the sea during the greater part of their lives, and to whom climbing, something very necessary in a company of that kind, comes almost as second nature.

Recommendations.

Believing it to be as much our duty to call the attention of the citizens of the town to needed improvements in the equipment of this Department, as to control its management, we would respectfully call attention once more to the necessity of increased apparatus for the extinguishing of fires.

Chemical Engine Needed.

At the house of Engine 1 we have a hand engine which is of practically no use to the Department in its present location. It has been used at only one fire in the last nine years, and at that one its use was entirely unnecessary and nonsensical. Yet the town is put to an annual expense of about $150 in keeping the machine in order and properly caring for it.

We would, therefore, most earnestly recommend that this engine be either sold or located in some outlying section of the town, and that it be replaced in the Centre by a double-tank chemical engine. With a chemical engine many fires could be extinguished, especially those originating in the interior of buildings, with much less loss to property by water than is at present the case. With hose and a powerful water pressure, such as is furnished by our water company, much damage must invariably

be done by water in case of fire, before even a very slight blaze can be extinguished. With a chemical engine this unnecessary damage would be almost entirely averted.

We would, therefore, respectfully recommend that the town at its next annual meeting provide for the purchase of a chemical engine by the appropriation of the sum of $1,200, which amount will be sufficient to procure such a one as the requirements of this town demand.

Hose Reel at North End.

It might also be well to place a hose reel and a few hundred feet of hose at some convenient point at the North End, perhaps in the basement of the North school building, for use in that vicinity by the citizens, in case of emergency, pending the arrival of the other apparatus of the Department. The expense of a reel suitable for this purpose would not exceed $100.

North Cohasset Needs Protection.

We would again call the attention of the citizens to the meagre facilities afforded at present for the extinguishing of fires on the Jerusalem Road and at North Cohasset, and also in the Beechwood district, and would urge again the placing of suitable fire apparatus in those sections of the town.

A hose wagon, with all necessary equipments, is an absolute necessity for North Cohasset, and the longer its purchase is delayed, just so long will the valuable property in that vicinity be needlessly exposed to destruction by fire.

Painting and Repairs.

The houses of Hose 1 and Hook and Ladder 1, at the Harbor, and of Engine 1 at the Centre, are in need of immediate painting and the latter building should also be shingled during the coming year. For these purposes we would recommend the appropriation at the next annual town meeting of the sum of $300.

General Expenses.

For the general expenses of maintenance of the Department for the coming year we would recommend the appropriation of the sum of $800. In this recommendation we include firemen's poll taxes, stewards' salaries, horses to fires, supplies, needed repairs of apparatus and buildings, and incidental expenses.

Fire Record for 1892.

There have been only two alarms of fire in town during the past year. One of these, in July, was needless, caused by the burning of bushes on the railroad land in the rear of the residence of Charles F. Tilden, Esq.

The other, on November 30, was for a fire which destroyed the stable of Mr. Joseph St. John, on Highland avenue, and damaged a house near by, belonging to the heirs of Franklin J. Damon, to the amount of $40.

The fact that this building, located hardly 25 feet from the burning stable, was saved, and that the company of Engine 1, succeeded in placing a stream of water from a hydrant upon the building within five minutes after the sounding of the alarm, and this at an early hour in the morning, are incidents which tend to show to some degree the efficiency to which the department has been brought during the past two years.

In this, as in every other case in which the Department has been called out, the members have exhibited a proficiency in handling their apparatus and a willingness to comply with the rules of this Board which we thoroughly appreciate, and for which we wish to hereby publicly extend to them our most sincere thanks.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD E. WENTWORTH, *Chief.*

HENRY T. P. BATES, *Clerk*,

By order of the Board of Engineers.

Financial Report of the Board of Engineers.

During the year ending December 31, 1892, orders have been drawn by this Board for the payment of bills as follows:

ENGINEERS' DEPARTMENT.

Paid Assessors of Cohasset, seven Engineers' poll taxes,	$14 00	
Caleb F. B. Tilden, horse and carryall, inspection,	2 50	
" " pair horses and barge, Fast day,	5 00	
Gross & Nichols, envelopes and postal cards,	3 68	
Batchelder & Lincoln, four rubber coats,	24 00	
Bates & Brown, printing,	2 00	
H. T. P. Bates, postage,	1 88	
		$53 06

INDEPENDENCE ENGINE ONE.

Paid Assessors of Cohasset, fourteen firemen's poll taxes,	$28 00	
L. L. Bates & Co., keys to house,	1 80	
S. H. Stoughton, repairs to engine-room and front wall,	56 18	
Allen C. Bates, stove,	11 00	
" " supplies,	9 71	
Miss F. H. Nichols, supplies,	2 21	
Caleb F. B. Tilden, horses for engine, Fast Day,	4 00	
" " " " Columbus Day,	3 00	
" " " " false alarm,	3 00	
" " teaming lumber,	50	
" " " stone,	2 50	
James Sweeney, Steward's salary to June 1, 1892,	12 50	
Cohasset Water Company, introducing water,	25 00	
Harry F. Tilden, supplies,	1 35	
" " Steward's salary to Dec. 31, 1892,	17 50	
Stephen R. Nichols, steel punch,	25	
Boston Woven Hose and Rubber Co., 25 feet 3-4 inch hose and fixtures,	2 50	
Edward E. Wentworth, lettering sign and gilding eagle,	18 00	
William H. Beal, repairing rubber coat,	50	
" " rope for engine,	1 80	
Lincoln Bros., coal,	8 40	
Tower Bros. & Co., paint, lumber and supplies,	16 63	
Amount carried forward	$227 33	

Amount brought forward,	$227 33	
Charles F. Tilden, iron plates for window frames,	1 25	
Gross & Nichols, supplies,	2 99	
Cornelius Callahan Co., single hydrant gate,	10 00	
H. T. P. Bates, cash paid for brass screw for gate,	25	
		$241 82

ZACCHEUS RICH HOSE ONE.

Paid Assessors of Cohasset, thirteen firemen's poll taxes,	$26 00	
B. F. Evans, curtain fixtures,	4 00	
Edward E. Wentworth, lettering and varnishing wagon,	30 00	
" " repairs to wagon,	4 00	
Amos E. Tilden, horses for Fast Day.	5 00	
" " " Columbus Day,	3 50	
" " " fire at Jos. St. John's,	5 00	
" " carting hose, etc.,	3 50	
Allen C. Bates, labor, stock and team, repairing water pipe,	5 75	
" " supplies,	3 29	
John J. Ainslie, Steward's salary to Dec. 31, 1892,	40 00	
Tower Bros. & Co., paint, lumber and supplies,	16 04	
Edward E. Wentworth, stove,	20 00	
Henry E. Brennock, repairing hydrant gate,	50	
Gross & Nichols, supplies,	3 87	
Wallace Willcutt, "	1 75	
		$171 70

HOSE TWO.

Paid Assessors of Cohasset, three firemen's poll taxes,	$6 00	
James S. Beal, storage of reel and hose,	10 00	
" " labor on hose,	6 00	
		$22 00

HOOK AND LADDER ONE.

Paid Assessors of Cohasset, twelve firemen's poll taxes,	$24 00	
Edward E. Wentworth, painting truck,	27 75	
" " repairing truck and ladders,	10 00	
Boston Woven Hose and Rubber Co., Boston Extension ladder,	135 00	
Boston Woven Hose and Rubber Co., ladder straps,	12 00	
B. F. Evans, curtains and fixtures,	2 00	
Caleb F. B. Tilden, carting and freight on ladder,	1 02	
Charles F. Tilden, seat for truck,	5 00	
" " building ladder frames,	14 50	
Amount carried forward,	$231 27	

Amount brought forward,	$231 27	
" " repairing brake and circle,	4 25	
Joseph A. Antoine, Steward's salary to Dec. 31, 1892,	20 00	
Joseph Jason, horses for Fast Day,	5 00	
" " " to fire at Joseph St. John's,	5 00	
Tower Bros. & Co., wood, oil and supplies,	9 40	
Henry E. Brennock, labor and stock on truck,	14 50	
Gross & Nichols, supplies,	75	
Wallace Willcutt, "	62	
Amos E. Tilden, horses for false alarm,	3 50	
D. W. Pratt, setting glass,	1 10	
		$295 39

MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid Boston Woven Hose and Rubber Co., cotton waste,	$3 00	
" " " " key boxes,	3 75	
Yale & Towne Manuf'g Co., keys,	1 50	
Miss F. H. Nichols, supplies, 1891 and 1892,	5 67	
William J. Brennock, watching fire at Joseph St. John's,	2 00	
Gross & Nichols, refreshments, Fast Day and Nov. 30,	24 64	
		$40 56
Total Expenditures for the year,		$824 53
Regular Appropriation,		$700 00
Special Appropriation for Extension Ladder,		135 00
Total Appropriation,		$835 00

Expended less than Appropriation, $10.47.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD E. WENTWORTH, *Chief Engineer.*

HENRY T. P. BATES, *Clerk of the Board.*

Annual Report of the Cohasset Free Public Library.

The town having given the Trustees of the Public Library the use of the rooms formerly occupied by the High School, the library was closed during April and May to make the necessary alterations.

The library was opened again June 2, and the hours were changed to three afternoons and evenings of the week instead of two afternoons and one evening.

With the exception of those two months and one holiday, the library opened every library day of the year. In that time the number of books issued was 7,845; the largest delivery being on March 26, of 159 books, and the smallest on June 9, of 14 books.

Number of books added the past year: by donation 27 volumes; by binding 29 volumes. Entire number, including pamphlets, 5,050.

Gifts of books have been received from Mr. Waldo Higginson, Mr. Warren Tower, Mr. Alexander Williams, State and Government, and papers from Mr. Frederic Cunningham, of Boston, and the W. C. T. U., of Cohasset.

Classification of reading the past year:

History and Biography,	317
Travels and Geography,	231
Science and Art,	38
Literature and Poetry,	164
Magazines,	1,253
Fiction,	5,804
Religion,	7
Agriculture,	31
	7,845

SARAH B. COLLIER, *Librarian.*

Cohasset, January, 1893.

DR. COHASSET FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY, in Account with A. H. TOWER, Treasurer. CR.

1892–1893,		1892–1893.	
To paid for Insurance for three years,	$60 00	By balance unexpended 1891, brought forward,	$134 85
Estes & Lauriat, Boston, books, etc.,	89 47	Librarian's receipts for fines, catalogues, etc.,	23 53
Cohasset Electric Co., lights,	47 50	Ladies' Charitable Society, rent,	6 25
Tower Bros. & Co., fuel,	55 13	Town's general appropriation, 1892,	500 00
Allen C. Bates, repairs,	11 25	Town's special appropriation for alterations and repairs,	650 00
A. T. Bliss & Co., labels,	6 25		
Rufus Bates, work,	1 50		
Express bills,	2 40		
Lot W. Bates, Janitor,	40 00		
Expenditures by Librarian,	11 07		
S. B. Collier, Librarian, salary,	266 52		
Alterations and repairs, viz.:			
Herbert O. Beale, contract,	395 16		
Z. C. Small & Bro., painting,	70 75		
M. S. Brigham, electric lights,	50 75		
A. C. Bates, repairs furnace,	40 00		
Edward Nichols, plants,	5 00		
Derby & Kilmer Co., chairs,	12 00		
H. O. Beale, repairs, rear room,	87 79		
Locksmith, repairing locks,	1 00		
Balance in Treasury to new account,	61 09		
	$1,314 63		$1,314 63

A. H. TOWER, *Treasurer.*

COHASSET, January, 1893.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF COHASSET,

1892.

MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE:

EDWARD F. RIPLEY, Chairman.	E. P. COLLIER, Secretary.
JOSEPH S. BIGELOW.	AMOS A. LAWRENCE.
LOUIS T. CUSHING.	CYRUS H. BATES.

Superintendent of Schools,

LOUIS P. NASH.

REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF COHASSET,

1892.

The School Committee of Cohasset respectfully submit the following as their annual report to the citizens of the town:

As regards the care and present condition of the school buildings this report will differ but little from that of last year. The cleaning of rooms and vaults and the numerous small repairs that are found necessary each year, have been attended to; the floors of the rooms and halls in the first and second stories of the Osgood School have been given two coats of preservative, at a cost of one hundred dollars, and we were forced to an outlay of sixty dollars on the underpinning of the Jerusalem School.

The condition of the King Street property is wretched, but the building is so old and so thoroughly unfitted for school purposes, that it has seemed unwise to incur any great expense, especially as the people of that district cannot agree as to whether the school shall be closed altogether or not. Some of the parents desire that the children be conveyed to the central building, but others are equally anxious that the school be retained, and while matters are so unsettled, we can hardly advocate a new building or order expensive changes in the old.

The Beechwood Grammar School was closed at the end of the summer term, at the wish of a majority of the parents in that section of the town, and it was hoped that the grades then established in the Osgood School, would accommodate these additional pupils, and that the saving in expense by closing the school would be about equal to the cost of conveying the children, but it was found that the sixth, seventh and eighth grades were so crowded, that it was necessary to fit up another room in the Osgood School and add a teacher to the force already employed in that building, thus unexpectedly increasing the running expenses for the latter part of the year, and adding fully five hundred dollars to the amount necessary for the maintenance of schools another year.

The people of the Jerusalem district have asked that their children as well as those of the Beechwood and King Street dis-

tricts, should be provided with better means of reaching the Osgood School; thus more and more are presenting to the town claims for better facilities for attending school and from "small beginnings" this matter of conveying children is assuming "great proportions" and is adding materially to the amount required for the support of schools. True, we have not reached the town of Concord's figure, ($1,600) sixteen hundred dollars, but another year will see the total within two hundred dollars of that amount.

The committee have given this matter much thought, and have decided that it would seem the most just way to locate a circle with the Osgood School as a centre and a radius perhaps one mile in length and to provide for the conveyance of all living outside the circle.

Our Superintendent, members of the State Board of Education, and many leading educators, are pronounced in their approval of the working of the central-school system, and aver that we have taken a long step towards perfecting the schools of Cohasset. They can see better results already, which is certainly gratifying to the committee and doubtless must be to all who have the interests of our schools at heart. But it must be confessed that what promised to be less expensive, is proving a more expensive system, and our only consolation is that we believe we are accomplishing what we have conscientiously worked for,— the making of our schools equal to the best in the State.

Our schools have been conducted with but little friction the past year. Under the old system of separate schools, many cases of insubordination, disorderly conduct and expulsion were brought to our notice for the action of the committee. We can attribute much of this improvement to the better discipline made possible by consolidating our schools and having a male principal at the head, but it seems just that we should here note the excellent management and tact of Mr. Jacobs in his supervision of the three hundred children in the Osgood School, and we cannot commend him too highly as a disciplinarian.

We would also at this time express our approval of the faithfulness and enthusiasm with which the different teachers have labored in our schools the past year, and can see no reason why, in grades under the High School, they should not receive a salary of ten dollars a week for the school year,— the same wages per day as voted by the town to those who are engaged in manual labor.

We have no changes to recommend in regard to school buildings, with the exception of the North School. We still believe it would be better to dispose of this building and lot, and build a small primary school at some point beyond Mr. Thomas Bates' at the north part of the town. This would better accommodate a majority of the small children that attend that school and we

should then have a well ventilated school room that would meet the approval of the State Board of Health.

In regard to the Osgood School, it has been suggested that it be protected by lightning rods. As far as the safety of the pupils is concerned, it would hardly seem to be of much benefit, as their vacation extends over the two months when thunder storms are prevalent, but if the town believes that this costly building will by this addition be better protected, it would perhaps be well that the matter be brought up for its consideration in March.

Since our last report, several inspections have been made of the ventilating and sanitary arrangements of this building, and certain changes were ordered at the expense of the Fuller-Warren Co. This company has showed a willingness to make everything satisfactory and we are glad to state that we have now received an official notice from the State Inspector, Mr. E. Y. Brown, to the effect "that as far as the present number of pupils is concerned, the results are very satisfactory," and he also commends in the same report the sanitary arrangements of the building.

Edward F. Ripley,
E. P. Collier,
Joseph S. Bigelow,
Amos A. Lawrence,
Louis T. Cushing,
Cyrus H. Bates.

Town of Cohasset in Account with the School Committee.

1892. *Dr.*

Teachers.

High School,	C. F. Jacobs,	$1,237 50	
"	Miss Gertrude M. Gleason,	500 00	
"	" Annie N. Keene,	500 00	
Osgood School,	" Annie A. Souther,	380 00	
"	" Mattie P. Bates,	380 00	
"	" Harriet J. Nichols,	380 00	
"	" Lizzie C. Bates,	380 00	
"	" Priscilla L. Collier,	375 25	
"	" Sarah E. Fox,	104 50	
"	" Myra L. Beal,	380 00	
North Primary,	" Susie L. Stoddard,	372 40	
King Street School,	" Lottie A. Hood,	380 00	
Jerusalem School,	" Annie Fox,	380 00	
Beechwood Gram'r,	" Luella B. Cogswell,	228 00	
" Primary,	" Sarah E. Fox,	275 50	
" "	" Mary E. Maynard,	47 50	
" "	" Adelaide L. Stevens,	47 50	
Substitutes, North Primary, Beechwood and King Street,		36 10	
			$6,384 25

Superintendent of Schools.

Louis P. Nash,	$650 00	
		$650 00

Instructor of Singing.

A. E. Bradford,	$325 00	
		$325 00

Special Teacher of Drawing.

Edward J. Cox, to June 30th,	$100 00	
Miss M. A. Pearson,	100 00	
		$200 00

Janitors.

Osgood School,	L. Webster Bates,	$600 00	
North Primary,	Levi Tower,	33 75	
King Street School,	Mary James,	23 75	
Jerusalem Schoool,	Teacher,	30 00	
Beechwood School,	A. Bradford Litchfield,	58 75	
			$746 25

Fuel.

Osgood School,	Lincoln Bros., coal and wood,	$333 25	
"	Tower, Bros. & Co., "	327 67	
Jerusalem School,	Lincoln Bros., "	29 47	
North School,	Lincoln Bros., "	11 00	
Beechwood School,	Tower, Bros. & Co., "	44 94	
King Street School,	Tower, Bros. & Co., "	9 13	
			$755 46

Cleaning.

North Primary School,	Mrs. Stephen Reilley,	$6 00	
" "	S. J. Hayden, vault,	3 00	
King Street School,	Mrs. Sarah McCormack,	5 00	
" "	S. J. Hayden, vault,	2 50	
Jerusalem School,	Mrs. E. L. Beal,	10 00	
" "	S. J. Hayden, vault,	3 00	
Beechwood School,	A. B. Litchfield,	8 50	
" "	J. W. Bates, vault,	3 00	
			$41 00

Repairs, Supplies, Etc.

North Primary Sch'l,	Allen C. Bates, supplies and repairs,	$7 62	
" "	H. O. Beale, repairs,	5 40	
			$13 02
King Street School,	Allen C. Bates, supplies and repairs,	2 25	
			$2 25
Jerusalem School,	C. E. West, supplies,	$6 17	
" "	S. L. Groce, repairs,	1 75	
" "	Two boys, work on wood, etc.,	1 00	
			$8 92
Beechwood School,	H. L. Brown, supplies,	$4 58	
" "	Allen C. Bates, supplies, etc.,	7 72	
" "	Mrs. C. H. Wood, use of well,	2 00	
" "	A. B. Litchfield, repairs,	3 00	
" "	John J. A. Pratt, repairs,	15 00	
			$32 30
Osgood School,	C. A. Gross & Co., supplies,	$7 91	
" "	Allen C. Bates, supplies and repairs,	115 47	
" "	John J. Lincoln, storm door, etc.,	35 85	
" "	Tower, Bros. & Co., supplies and repairs,	21 19	
" "	D. W. Pratt, varnishing and painting,	101 06	

Osgood School,	Brigham Electric Co., lights and repairs,	$7 20	
" "	Edward E. Tower, gravel,	7 00	
" "	Cohasset Electric Co., lighting,	60 00	
" "	Geo. S. Perry & Co., desks,	30 00	
" "	Charles F. Tilden, rakes for furnace, etc.,	4 90	
" "	Miss F. H. Nichols, supplies,	65	
			$391 23
			$447 72

Evening School.

A. T. Bliss & Co., printing,	$1 50	
L. W. Bates, care of room,	10 00	
Cohasset Electric Co., lighting,	25 00	
L. W. Bates, teaching,	54 00	
M. H. Ballou, "	4 50	
C. F. Jacobs, "	45 00	
		$140 00

Books and Stationery.

American Book Company,	$219 41	
Ginn & Co.,	34 04	
D. C. Heath & Co.,	6 70	
Geo. S. Perry & Co.,	266 04	
Silver, Burdett & Co.,	16 50	
Educational Publishing Co.,	23 20	
Prang Educational Co.,	21 96	
Franklin Educational Co.,	23 80	
Carl Schoenhof,	12 77	
Boston School Supply Co.,	16 08	
J. L. Hammett,	47 20	
Sundry bills for books and stationery,	55 53	
		$743 23

Conveying Pupils.

A. E. Tilden,	King Street pupils to Osgood School, Jan., Feb. and March,	$75 00	
" "	South Primary pupils to Osgood School,	297 00	
" "	Beechwood pupils to " "	367 41	
" "	Extra barge rides,	25 00	
Old Colony R. R.,	North Cohasset pupils to the Osgood School,	131 70	
			$896 11

Miscellaneous.

Miss F. H. Nichols, ribbon, etc.,	$1 88	
Louis N. Lincoln, care of hall,	7 00	
S. B. Pratt, advertising and notice,	3 25	
Beal's Express,	20 50	
M. Townsend, express,	50	
A. H. Prouty, truant officer,	6 00	
A. B. Litchfield, " "	10 00	
W. W. Wade, tuning piano,	5 00	
A. T. Bliss & Co., printing,	15 75	
Samuel Usher, "	8 00	
Greenough, Adams & Cushing, printing,	2 10	
Assessors of Cohasset, school census,	9 00	
Edward F. Ripley, salary as Treasurer,	50 00	
E. P. Collier, salary as Secretary,	25 00	
A. G. Whitcomb, school supplies,	7 00	
Burdett Business College, work on diplomas,	9 25	
C. F. B. Tilden, carriage hire, Supt.,	43 07	
G. D. Damon, collation High School graduates,	22 00	
Galvin Bros., bouquets " " "	9 00	
		$254 30

Recapitulation.

Paid Teachers and Substitutes,	$6,384 25	
" Superintendent of Schools,	650 00	
" Instructor in Singing,	325 00	
" Special Teacher of Drawing,	200 00	
" Janitors,	746 25	
" for Fuel,	755 46	
" " Cleaning,	41 00	
" " Repairs and Supplies,	447 72	
" " Evening School,	140 00	
" " Books and Stationery,	743 23	
" " Conveying Pupils,	896 11	
" " Miscellaneous,	254 30	
Unexpended balance, Jan. 2, 1893,	17 17	
		$11,600 49

Credit.

Amount of School Appropriations,	$11,310 00	
Received from Dog Licenses,	239 07	
" " Ripley Fund (interest),	40 40	
By balance from last year,	11 02	
		$11,600 49

EDWARD F. RIPLEY,
Treasurer School Committee.

REPORT

OF THE

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

FOR THE YEAR 1892.

TO THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF COHASSET:—Following are the statistics of schools for the year 1891-92:

Whole number of children in town, May 1, 1892, between 5 and 15 years of age,	380
Whole number between 8 and 14 years of age,	244
Whole number of pupils in school, between 5 and 15,	407
Whole number between 8 and 14,	218
Number in town, but not in school, between 8 and 14,	26
Number in school over 15,	36
Number in school under 5,	0
Total number of pupils in all schools,	443
Average membership in all schools,	371.2
Average attendance,	337.5
Per cent. of attendance,	91.2
Total income of Public Schools,	$11,583.32

GRADUATES FROM HIGH SCHOOL, JUNE, 1892:

Abbie Rich Bates,	Margaret Helen Roche,
Bertie Adams Bates,	Emma Frances Stoddard,
Mabel Lydia Crane,	Abbie Engenie Wentworth,
Ellen Josephine Powers,	Manuel Silvia Leonard,

Russell Bates Tower.

SCHOOLS AND TEACHERS.

Schools.	Teachers in Service, June, 1892.	Salary.	Boys.	Girls.	Total.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Per cent. of Attendance.	Tardy.	Visits.
Osgood School,	C. F. Jacobs,	$1,300	28	48	76	67.5	63.2	93.6	38	–
" "	Gertrude M. Gleason,	500	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
" "	Annie M. Keene,	500	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
" "	Martha P. Bates,	380	30	22	52	49.5	45.1	91.2	128	48
" "	Annie A. Souther,	380	19	35	54	49.8	45.5	91.4	160	8
" "	Lizzie C. Bates,	380	22	25	47	39.4	37.1	94.2	34	55
" "	Priscilla L. Collier, }	380	42	40	82	63.4	57	89.9	97	81
" "	Hattie J. Nichols, }	380								
Beechwood School,	Luella B. Cogswell,	380	12	7	19	15.7	14	89.1	–	15
" "	Sarah E. Fox,	380	12	19	31	28.1	23.1	82.2	4	24
King Street School,	Lottie A. Hood,	380	11	9	20	13.7	12.4	90.5	30	31
North School,	Susannah L. Stoddard,	380	12	18	30	22.7	21.1	92.4	5	17
Jerusalem School,	Annie Fox,	380	15	17	32	21.1	18.6	88.3	81	24
Drawing,	E. J. Cox,	250	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Music,	A. E. Bradford,	325	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–

In the general work of the schools, I have to report another year of steady work, with valuable results. We seek above everything else to cultivate in our pupils breadth and strength of character and intellect. Pupils ought to acquire a good fund of information about the subjects which they study, and they ought at the same time to acquire the power of using their minds to good advantage. An intelligent habit of study is worth more than any amount of mere knowledge. If a boy knows how to do hard work, and if he is determined to understand the meaning of what he is doing, he will make a successful man. We aim in all our work in school, not so much to impart a great fund of knowledge, as to make our pupils good thinkers; this is the highest result of good intellectual training.

At each separate grade, we examine pupils sharply, to test them before promoting them into the next grade. It is not so much a question whether a pupil knows certain things, as it is whether he has the maturity and mental strength to do certain work, that should determine promotion. If a pupil can do the work of the higher grade, he ought to do it; if he is not yet mature enough to understand that work, then it would be folly as well as cruelty to promote him. Our upper grades are now beginning to show the good results of due care exercised over promotions; the pupils who entered the high school this year show a much better preparation than most classes that have preceded them. They understand the studies which they have pursued, they have formed a habit of doing good work, and they are obtaining better results from their work in the high school than has been possible for some other classes.

Our high school course of study should be so arranged that graduates will be fitted to enter college, but this is hardly possible with the present organization of the schools. Our whole course of study is now twelve years, including four years high school, and eight in the lower grades. In most of the towns that maintain a high school, the whole course is thirteen years; we cannot hope to do in twelve years the same work that the best schools of the State take thirteen years to accomplish. It is therefore to be desired that the length of our course of study should be increased by one year. I believe that the best plan would be to establish a ninth grade, between the present eighth grade and the high school, the pupils to sit with the high school, but to pursue mainly grammar school studies. As the course is now arranged, we will fit for college any pupils who desire to go, and have the ability, but it will require some special work outside the regular course. It is earnestly to be hoped that a larger number of our young people will enter upon a college course. It would pay them very well to spend the time and the money that are required to build up a liberal education; it would pay in breadth of culture and in money.

Education as now carried on in our schools is almost wholly intellectual. It lacks practical dealing with real things, it fails to give responsibility and a grasp of the actual conditions of life. Boys and girls used to get this solid kind of practical training at home; but nowadays the conditions of daily life among our people are narrower than they used to be, and the schools must try to supply the lack. It is for this reason that schools are now going to work to teach something of cooking, sewing, the use of tools, and various manual arts. This work is rendered necessary by the conditions of our life. Every day the need becomes more imperative. We have taken a long step in this direction, by introducing a course in Drawing. But this ought to be regarded as only a first step; it is necessary for the committee and for the people of the town to be considering how we can establish a thorough-going course of Manual Training, in connection with the intellectual and moral training which our pupils now receive.

Music.

The work in music is progressing favorably, under the immediate supervision of Mr. Bradford, who has been with us for some years. We aim to pursue the study, not merely by the singing of songs, but by a careful study of principles, so that the work shall be truly educational in its character. I give herewith a report from Mr. Bradford:

To the Superintendent of Schools:—

The teaching of music, with daily practice in singing, has been continued throughout the year, under favorable conditions and with excellent results. I believe that teachers and pupils alike have enjoyed the work, and that it has been the means of making school life doubly attractive.

Nothing is better calculated to develop the mental powers of attention and application than practice in singing at sight. It is equally valuable as a means of physical culture. A person who sings new music at sight must know how to read the music rapidly and accurately. He must be able to determine the pitch and calculate the length of the notes almost instantly as they follow one another in rapid succession; there must be no hesitation, no break in the time, no repetition such as we sometimes hear in the reading of language. If he is to sing well he must also maintain a correct position of the body, give attention to the management of the breath, and must not forget to produce good tones; correct phrasing and good articulation also come in for a share of his attention. Correct note reading demands perfect and sustained attention. Eye, ear, voice, and brain are simultaneously engaged. Attention is fixed to the subject in hand, and yet there is none of that weariness arising from the close study of most other subjects, simply because several faculties are engaged at once, and share the mental pressure. There is no feeling of drudgery. The work itself gives pleasure. All goes on happily and without delay or pause in attention. Even the rests in the music

afford no opportunity for inattention, for they often require more careful thought than do the notes.

In the study of music we have to train both the understanding and the skill; and many things that are easily understood are difficult to perform. With many branches of study children can only learn in school *how* to do a thing; in music they learn to *do* it.

The ability to sing difficult music at sight is only acquired after careful and long continued practice. Like the reading of language, it must be begun in childhood if the pupil expects to become an expert. The subject is a complex one, but when taught step by step it is not difficult. The work may be so arranged that it is just progressive enough to be interesting. Each step in advance should contain one new problem in time or tune, and only one; this should be taught thoroughly and practised faithfully. The course should be so arranged that when a principle is once learned it is is applied almost daily in connection with new difficulties. These in turn are mastered, and become working tools by the use of which the pupil is enabled to proceed.

Success in the teaching of sight-singing depends very largely upon the correct arrangement of these parts of the work, so that each step, as far as possible, shall arise out of that which goes before and lead up to that which comes after.

In all singing the tones must be conceived in the mind before they can be sung. The player of a musical instrument should have the same mental conception of the tones to be produced, but the touching of the keys is in itself a mechanical process, and is performed by some players in a purely mechanical way. They play by rule, and their playing may be mechanically correct, but it is lacking in expression. For this reason some teachers of the pianoforte require that their pupils first learn to sing at sight before they begin a study of the instrument. We do not teach musical instruments in the public schools, but we do teach the pupils to read music and sing at sight; the training which they receive will be of inestimable value to all who ever learn to play any musical instrument, and will, I trust, be the means of making more real musicians and fewer mechanical players.

I gave in my report of last year an outline of a course of study in music to be commenced in the lowest primary school and continued through all the grades. The work prescribed for the upper grades is impossible for pupils who have not reached the given point in the course by mastering the steps that lead up to it. It is to be expected, then, that the upper grades will continue to improve until the pupils who commenced the course in the lowest primary shall have reached the first class in the high school. Still we have very good singing now in all grades. All the lower grades are doing in a very satisfactory manner the work assigned them in the course of study. In the seventh and eighth grades and in the high school we are able to sing a good class of music, including choruses and part songs in three and four parts. Each part is well sustained, and nearly all of the pupils can read the music. In all the grades below the eighth, individual singing is required, and the pupils engage in the work cheerfully. When called upon to sing

alone they do so without any apparent embarrassment. Many of the pupils seem to consider it a favor to be allowed to stand and sing alone.

The regular teachers have supplemented my work by daily drill in the various class rooms; they have done their part of the work well, and I think they have not found it a difficult task.

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT E. BRADFORD,
Supervisor of Music.

Drawing.

It is a law of Massachusetts that Industrial Drawing shall be taught in all the schools. But it is only very recently that good methods have been devised for teaching drawing in public schools, and our teachers are not prepared to deal with the subject successfully. We need a supervisor of drawing, and the liberality of the town has furnished the assistance which was needed; immediately after the last town meeting, Mr. E. J. Cox was appointed special teacher of Drawing, and began the work; he resigned during the summer vacation, and Miss M. A. Pearson, of Reading, was engaged to fill the vacancy.

A good course in Drawing means a great deal. It trains the eye to see with exactness, it trains the mind to know forms and colors and harmonious proportion, it trains the hand to execute the precise thing that is intended by the mind, and it cultivates the higher aesthetic and moral nature to appreciate the beauty, the noble symmetry and order of Nature's handiwork. Our course in drawing will show little more than beginnings as yet; any good and honest work needs time to lay foundations, and the desirable results cannot appear until they shall have had time to be developed.

Following is the report of Miss Pearson:

To the Superintendent of Schools:—

My work, as Supervisor of Drawing, began with the opening of the school year in September. In submitting this, my first report, I would state, briefly, the purpose of the work, the ends sought, the general plan, and what has been already accomplished.

The aim in art instruction is to educate the pupils in a knowledge of color and form; the ability to express this knowledge, correctly and artistically; and to develop a love and appreciation of the good, the true, and the beautiful, as found in nature and in art. The ends sought are the ability to draw truthfully and with confidence, good habits in drawing, and a taste for good art.

In order to draw truthfully, one must have a knowledge of objects and the principles governing their representation. The former should be acquired, largely, in the primary grades, the latter in the grammar grades. The

primary work is considered under the three general heads—color, form, and arrangement. Drawing is begun in the primary grades and continued in the higher grades under the divisions—Geometric Drawing, or the representation of the facts of the form and structure of objects; Decorative Drawing, or the representation of the decoration of objects; and Pictorial Drawing, or the representation of the appearance of objects.

The work has been logically arranged and presented, as a whole, to the teachers. Lesson outlines and suggestions in methods of conducting the work have been given. The children in the primary grades have had regular instruction in color, the study of simple type forms, and of forms like the type, natural and artificial. They have been taught to construct the objects studied, in clay.

The work in grammar and high schools began with the classification of forms, and lessons in botanical drawing preparatory to the work in design. This work was taken in the fall while the specimens were obtainable. Since the first of October the time has been given principally to appearance drawing. This will be continued until the last of January. The drawings have been made on blank paper and from the object. Thus the pupil relies upon his own judgment, and each must do his own seeing and thinking, and express his thought in his own way.

In conclusion I desire to thank you for your kind support, and to extend my grateful acknowledgment to your corps of teachers for their kind reception and earnest co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

M. A. PEARSON.

The Evening School.

The evening school is doing an excellent and important work. It is not easy after a day's labor, to make the effort which is needed to get good results from the school; but the results, to those who have attended the school, are worth far more than all it costs. I give a short report from Mr. Jacobs:

To the Superintendent of Schools:—

The term of the Evening School for the winter of 1892–3 has been a particularly profitable one for those who availed themselves of the opportunities thus afforded by the town. It began October 3d, 1892, and continued for thirty-six sessions, ending February 3d, 1893.

The number of those attending constitute a percentage of the town's population considerably larger than that in most of the cities and towns which support such schools, which speaks well for the character and intelligence of those whom the town aims to benefit by its appropriation. There are, however, many others who would find a regular and punctual attendance upon the sessions profitable and advantageous.

It requires considerable resolution to spend one's evenings in confinement and work after the ordinary labor of the day; and, in view of this, the perseverance of the members is especially praiseworthy. It is evident that

they realized that their presence each evening, during the whole session, was necessary if the work was to bring about profitable results.

Although the membership this year was a little smaller than last year, the regularity was such that the average attendance was a little larger, which means that the term has been a much more successful one.

Classes were formed in reading, writing, arithmetic, and book-keeping. The work of the Evening School includes only that part of the curriculum and training of the public day school, which has for its object the giving to the pupil certain definite information in a few branches, and some little manual skill and dexterity. The teaching, therefore, must be almost wholly individual, and especially is this so in the case of pupils of such widely varying attainments. But the extra time and labor given to individual teaching is well spent if to only a few even are opened those two first and chief doors to intellectual pleasure and profit, reading and writing. And not only does one feel that time labor and money are well spent thus, but also he finds it a pleasant duty to be the aid and companion in the interest and enthusiasm of those who are acquiring new power, and who joyfully realize it and watch its progress.

The attendance and results seem to me to justify the expenditure of the money necessary to the support of the Evening School, and indicate an appreciation of the generosity which prompts the town to make the appropriation.

Respectfully submitted,

C. F. JACOBS, *Principal.*

The Outlying Schools.

These four schools include only children of the lower grades, and they are all rather small in numbers. Of course, the children who attend them lack the stimulus of large classes, and the teacher is not able to concentrate her work as in a better graded school. On the other hand, there is a certain standard of work that pervades all the schools of a town; a system of schools has a certain organic unity which is the result of growth, and all the schools will share in any improvement of the system as a whole. The little schools are not wholly without advantages arising from their peculiar situation, and it will always be true that a good teacher makes a good school, wherever she may be. While a great step for the good of the town was taken in consolidating schools, yet it remains true that the little outlying schools will long continue to have their own proper and valuable work to do.

The Osgood School.

The idea of consolidating all the schools of a town at one central point has been adopted in several towns of Massachusetts, and is being quite widely discussed. Cohasset has the honor of being among the leaders in a new movement which promises to remodel the educational organization of the country districts.

Nearly all our pupils of grammar school age are now in the Osgood school, and they are receiving a very much better education than would be possible in schools organized as ours have hitherto been. There is a mental activity, a life and stimulus, resulting from the mutual action of the minds of pupils in a large class, and in many ways, our pupils receive a better intellectual training than would be possible in small schools.

In the moral training of the children also, the central school is showing a beneficent influence. The established order and discipline which are essential in a large school exert a most wholesome influence in training the mind to habits of prompt exactness in behavior. Nothing is more valuable than the power of rigid and perfect self control which is cultivated wherever a large number of persons are required to move together, according to definite rules.

In a small school it is impossible for the teacher to know what goes on among the children while they are out of school. Some pupils bring habits of profanity and low conversation which they have learned at home or on the street, and they teach these things to the younger pupils at school. At the Osgood school, however, there are enough persons in charge to see that during all the time they remain at school the children cannot be exposed to vicious teaching from their schoolmates.

The High School.

The course of study in the high school must always be the completion of school education for all but a very few of its graduates, and the work done in the high school has a most important influence in shaping the quality of teaching in the lower grades. Good work here is, therefore, doubly important.

It is the duty of the high school, not to prepare pupils for a certain station in life, nor to teach the trades by which they will earn a living, but to lay a broad foundation of general information and cultivated intelligence. We cannot tell where the boys and girls will go, after they leave the high school. It is our business so to train their intellects that they will be ready-witted and intelligent, and then they will do well wherever they go.

They must study mathematics, because mathematics is the indispensable key to proficiency in all other sciences, and it trains the mind to exact reasoning. They must study natural science, for scientific laws are daily coming more and more into the course of our daily lives. They must know history and the structure of our government, in order to be able to act intelligently as citizens of a free country. They need to study languages, and above all the English language and literature, so that throughout life they may know and enjoy the wholesome society of great minds, and

so that they may not lack the power of correct and forcible expression.

Everyone ought to learn in youth how to express his thoughts clearly, with correct spelling, punctuation, and all that goes to make up good composition. But in some way, a good many pupils have managed to get through the schools without learning these things. Attention is now being called to the matter of good English in the high schools, and we are all urged to produce better results than have been seen as yet.

In our high school a considerable amount of time is given to the study of Grammar and English Composition, the pupils who translate from foreign languages are also gaining an excellent training in the use of English, and we have the study of English Literature throughout the course. By using the Public Library and various other means, a strong effort is made to inspire pupils with a taste for the best literature. In these days of abundant newspapers and cheap books, there is danger that young people will form habits of reading trash. The free press is an inestimable benefit to the world, but it has also its evil effects, in that it pours continually before us an enormous amount of frivolous or mischievous reading. Everything gets printed and published. There is such a mass of light and foolish reading-matter thrust before our people that good literature is almost crowded out of sight. Even the public library is not without its dangers. I have known boys and girls to become so carried away by the passion for reading the very flimsiest story books of the public library that they were for the time completely spoiled for useful work, in school or anywhere else. Even when the tendency of such reading is not positively vicious, it tends inevitably to weaken the mental powers, and to corrupt the taste. Most of the information that is obtained in later life will come by the reading of books, and it is of vital importance that we should so train our pupils that they will enjoy a high class of literature.

The responsibility that rests upon all who have charge of education ought to be regarded very seriously by teachers and school officers, and by the public generally. Our work is one of solemn importance. The standard of life and morals that will rule in this community for the next generation will depend in no small degree upon the kind of work done in the schools. Various influences work together to shape the growing life of a human being. Heredity, the home life, the church, the street, the general social atmosphere—all these have power in determining the result; but it is doubtful if any one of them all has more to do with future success or failure for a lifetime than has the school. Every possible effort ought to be made therefore to strengthen the schools, and means should not be stinted.

Good school-houses, books and apparatus, the best organization, all of these are essential to a good school. But after all it

is the teacher who makes the school. I think that most persons fail ever to get a glimpse of the difficulty and the glory of the teacher's task. We take all these children, often untrained and wayward, always full of liability to err, and so far as their abilities will admit, it is our duty to cultivate their physical, mental and moral powers, up toward the standard of the ideal man. That is the task which every teacher has placed more or less definitely before her, when she opens her school at the beginning of the year. The teacher who is to bring out the best qualities of a child's nature must do it by her own breadth of mind and elevation of character, far more than by the school studies.

We have certain subjects to teach in school, and we study very carefully, at teachers' meetings and elsewhere, just how to take every single step in the best way. This, of course, we must do, but we ought never to lose sight of the fact that above and beyond all methods and devices is the inspiration of the true teacher. It is well to study all the little skilful turns of our trade, but we must have a higher view than to teach a subject well; it is our business, not to teach subjects, but to *educate children*.

I wish to take this public opportunity to commend the teachers of Cohasset for the spirit they are possessed by, and for the good work which they are doing. The people of the town have loyally supported the teachers, and I can freely say that their confidence in the teachers is not misplaced.

Respectfully submitted,

L. P. NASH.

One Hundred and Twenty-fourth Annual Report.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF

THE SELECTMEN

OF THE FINANCIAL AFFAIRS OF
THE

TOWN OF COHASSET

AND THE

REPORTS OF OTHER TOWN OFFICERS,

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31,

1893.

COHASSET:
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OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1893-94.

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor,

J. Q. A. LOTHROP, Chairman . . . . . Term Expires, March 1, 1894.
PHILANDER BATES . . . . . " " March 1, 1896.
CALEB F. NICHOLS . . . . . " " March 1, 1895.

Treasurer and Collector of Taxes, ABRAHAM H. TOWER.

School Committee,

EDW'D. F. RIPLEY, Chairman (resigned, Jan. 1, '94), Term Expires, March 1, 1896.
E. POMEROY COLLIER, Secretary . . . . " " March 1, 1896.
JOSEPH S. BIGELOW . . . . . " " March 1, 1894.
AMOS A. LAWRENCE . . . . . " " March 1, 1894.
LOUIS T. CUSHING . . . . . " " March 1, 1895.
CYRUS H. BATES . . . . . " " March 1, 1895.

Superintendent of Schools,

LOUIS P. NASH, until July 1, 1893, when he resigned, and was succeeded by ELMER L. CURTISS.

Fire Engineers and Forest Fire Wards,

EDWARD E. WENTWORTH, Chief.

CHARLES A. GROSS, 1st Assistant, HENRY E. BRENNOCK, 2d Assistant.
A. BRADFORD LITCHFIELD, ALSON S. RICHARDSON.
HENRY T. P. BATES, Clerk.

Constables and Field Drivers,

EDWARD E. WENTWORTH, JOHN ROCHE, JR., HENRY E. BRENNOCK,
A. BRADFORD LITCHFIELD, CHARLES L. KITTRELL.

Superintendent of Streets, PHILANDER BATES.

Auditor, CALEB LOTHROP.

Sealer of Weights and Measures, ALLEN C. BATES.

Auctioneers,

LOUIS N. LINCOLN, J. Q. A. LOTHROP, AARON PRATT.

Trustees of the Public Library,

REV. JOSEPH OSGOOD, D.D. . . . . Term Expires, March 1, 1896.
MISS SARAH SIG. PRATT . . . . . " " March 1, 1896.
MISS EDITH M. BATES . . . . . " " March 1, 1896.
MRS. ABRAHAM H. TOWER . . . . . " " March 1, 1894.
MISS SARAH B. COLLIER . . . . . " " March 1, 1894.
EDWARD F. RIPLEY . . . . . " " March 1, 1894.
EDWARD E. ELLMS . . . . . " " March 1, 1895.
LOUIS T. CUSHING . . . . . " " March 1, 1895.
ABRAHAM H. TOWER . . . . . " " March 1, 1895.

Measurers of Wood and Bark,

MORGAN B. STETSON, ALFRED BEAL.

Public Weighers.

PHILANDER BATES, CALEB F. NICHOLS, ALFRED BEAL.
HERBERT L. BROWN.

Fence Viewers.

MORGAN B. STETSON, EBEN S. PRATT, EZRA BROWN.

Surveyors of Lumber,

ABRAHAM H. TOWER, JR., ARTHUR O. HIGGINS.

Inspector of Cattle, DANIEL N. TOWER.

Undertaker, BENJAMIN F. EVANS.

Pound Keeper, LEVI L. WORRICK.

Keeper of Lock-up, HENRY E. BRENNOCK.

Registrars of Voters,

CHARLES F. TILDEN, Chairman . . . . Term Expires, May 1, 1894.
C. JAMES PRATT . . . . . " " May 1, 1895.
JOHN M. DAMON . . . . . " " May 1, 1896.
NEWCOMB B. TOWER, Town Clerk, *ex-officio*, Clerk of Board.

REPORT

OF

THE TOWN CLERK.

DOINGS

OF THE

TOWN OF COHASSET.

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK.

Extracts from the Town Records.

At the Annual Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Cohasset, held Monday, March 6, 1893, action upon the several articles in the warrant was taken as follows: —

(The number of registered voters was 508 males, 6 females.)

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

Chose, J. Q. A. Lothrop, Moderator.

ARTICLE 2. To act upon the reports of the Selectmen, Overseers of the Poor, Treasurer, Librarian, and Treasurer of the Public Library, School Committee and Treasurer of the School Committee.

It was Voted that each and all of the above-named reports be accepted.

ARTICLE 3. To choose all Town Officers required by law and Town by-laws.

A list of the Officers of the Town chosen at this meeting and appointed by the Selectmen may be seen upon page 4.

(179 male and 1 female voter voted.)

ARTICLE 4. What sum of money will the Town raise and appropriate for the payment of debt, interest, repairs of highways, relief of poor, support of schools, public library, watering streets, decorating soldiers' and sailors' graves, and all other necessary charges and expenses for the current year. Also, will the Town authorize the Treasurer to hire money with the approval of the Selectmen in anticipation of the taxes, and to pay State and Military Aid.

It was Voted that twenty-nine thousand seven hundred dollars ($29,700.00) be raised by assessment upon the polls and estates the current year.

It was Voted that appropriations be made as follows: —

For Payment of Debt	$3,000 00
" Interest	3,000 00
Support of Schools and conveyance of Pupils	12,900 00
Support and Relief of Poor	5,000 00
Repairs of Highways and Sidewalks	7,000 00
Electric Lights	5,000 00
Hingham and Cohasset Water Companies	1,900 00
Soldiers' and Sailors' Relief	1,000 00
Town Officers	1,600 00
Watering Streets	1,100 00
Incidentals	1,000 00
Fire Department	700 00
Removing Snow	1,000 00
Public Library	700 00
Printing	300 00
Military Aid	200 00
Town Hall	200 00
G. A. R. Post	100 00
Total amount appropriated under this article,	$45,700 00

It was Voted that the Treasurer be authorized to hire money with the approval of the Selectmen, in anticipation of the taxes, and to pay State and Military Aid.

ARTICLE 5. In what manner will the Town collect the taxes the current year, and at what time shall they be paid into the treasury.

Voted, that the taxes be collected the current year in the same manner, and paid into the treasury at the same time and under the same conditions as last year. In other words, "The taxes assessed for the current year shall be due and payable on the first day of August; and on all taxes remaining unpaid on the first day of October, interest, not exceeding seven per cent. per annum, shall be added thereto until paid; and the taxes remaining unpaid on the tenth day of January, 1894, shall be considered delinquent, and subject to collection according to law. The interest accruing under this vote shall be added to and be a part of such taxes."

ARTICLE 6. To hear the report of the Selectmen on Guide-boards, and act thereon.

Voted, that the report of the Selectmen on Guide-boards be accepted. Their report, substantially, is as follows: —

"Guide-boards are maintained at the following places: corner of Church and Beechwood Streets; Doane and Beechwood; King and Beechwood; Beechwood and South Main; South Main and Summer; Summer and Border; North Main and Jerusalem Road; North Main and King; Forest Avenue and North Main; Jerusalem Road and Forest Avenue, and Hull Street and Jerusalem Road."

ARTICLE 7. Will the Town accept the list of Jurors as prepared and posted by the Selectmen.

The list of Jurors was somewhat amended. As accepted by the Town it is as follows: —

Abraham J. Antoine,	Charles F. Bennett,
Edwin Bates,	Levi L. Nichols,
Cyrus H. Bates,	James Pettee,
George W. Beal,	C. James Pratt,
James S. Beal,	William H. Reed,
Thomas D. Blossom,	John Roche, Jr.,
Charles P. Bourne,	Walter S. Tower,
Morton S. Crehore,	Levi L. Worrick,
Charles Harris,	A. Bradford Litchfield,
Leander W. Groce,	Ezra Brown,
Thomas W. Doyle,	Charles C. Coolidge,
J. Loring Litchfield,	Ezekiel L. James,
Waldo C. Locke,	George W. Pratt,
Spencer H. Stoughton,	Israel C. Vinal,
William W. Studley,	Samuel L. Williams.

ARTICLE 8. What action will the Town take in relation to the payment of the floating debt of the Town.

A report prepared by the Selectmen in relation to the funding of the floating debt was submitted to the Town for their action, and it was accepted, together with the recommendation therein contained, by a unanimous vote. Their recommendation, referred to above, is as follows: —

"We recommend that the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be authorized to hire thirty-four thousand dollars at the lowest rate of interest, on notes of thirty-four hundred dollars ($3,400.00) each, one note payable each year, to commence to be paid April 1, 1894; or, that the thirty-four thousand dollars be hired on time notes at any amount the Treasurer and Selectmen may deem to be for the best interest of the town, in sums less than thirty-four hundred dollars, but thirty-four hundred ($3,400.00) shall become due and payable each year, and thirty-four hundred dollars shall be raised and assessed on the estates each year without further vote, commencing in 1894."

ARTICLE 9. To hear and act upon the report of any committee.

No committee of the Town was prepared to report under this article.

ARTICLE 10. What compensation will the Town allow the Collector of Taxes for the current year.

Voted, that the compensation of the Collector of Taxes for the current year be the same as last year, which was two hundred dollars.

ARTICLE 11. Shall licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors be granted in the town the current year in accordance with Chap. 100, Sec. 5, of the Public Statutes.

By a Vote of seventy-two in the affirmative and seventy-three in the negative, it was voted that licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors shall not be granted in the town the current year.

ARTICLE 12. Will the Town authorize the Selectmen to make a new contract with the Cohasset Electric Company for a term of three or five years, for lighting the streets, at a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars per annum, or act thereon.

Voted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 13. Will the Town authorize the Selectmen to sell the Harbor School-house building to be removed, and use the purchase money to improve the lot after the building is moved, or act thereon.

Voted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 14. Will the Town approve of the conditions of a lease of the Centre School-house building made by the Selectmen with the G. A. R. Post, in relation to the use of said building by said Post, or act thereon.

Voted in the affirmative. The conditions of the lease above referred to, are as follows: —

"That the Henry Bryant G. A. R. Post No. 98, shall have the use of the Centre School-house building and land connected with said building, belonging to the town, with all additions and alterations the said Post may make without cost to the Town, free of rent as long as the same is used for the purposes of said Post, with the privilege of renting the portion not needed by said Post to other organizations, but not as a dwelling house. It is understood that whenever the said Post discontinue to use the building for the purposes of a G. A. R. Post, the building and land, with all the improvements and additions made to said building, shall revert to the Town."

ARTICLE 15. To hear the report of the committee to purchase land for a cemetery lot, and act thereon.

The above committee submitted to the Town a report, herewith printed in full, which was accepted with all recommendations therein contained. It is as follows: —

"COHASSET, March 6, 1893.

"*To the Inhabitants of the Town of Cohasset:* —

"Your committee to whom was entrusted the duty of securing a lot of land for the new cemetery, having attended to its duty, begs leave to report as follows: —

"After several meetings, and viewing in person all the lots which seemed fit and were available, it appears that the spot which most commends itself, and against which the least objections can be urged, is that lot of land on Bear Hill,

on Pond Street, formerly owned by Richard Bourne, and now owned by Mr. Shattuck, of Boston. This estate contains forty-four acres in all, and a part of it is very well adapted to the desired purposes, but the owner will sell the estate only as a whole. At the request of your committee, Mr. Shattuck has kept his offer open for your action at this meeting. His price for the estate is thirty-five hundred dollars, cash, for which he gives a warranty deed.

"For various reasons, the location of the lot, the large size of the lot (uncommonly large for the desired purpose), and the corresponding price, the members of your committee are by no means unanimous in recommending its purchase by the Town, but do agree to this statement of the facts as found, and hereby submit the whole matter to the voters for such action as they may take.

"In conclusion, should the Town see fit to vote to purchase this estate, your committee further recommend that in payment therefor the Town Treasurer be authorized to hire money in anticipation of the taxes for 1894, and the Selectmen be authorized to sell such portion of the estate as may not be needed for cemetery purposes, and apply the proceeds thereof in payment in part of money hired as aforesaid."

Voted, that the same committee continue to act for the present.

ARTICLE 16. Will the Town cause the Financial Report to be printed and distributed in the month of February, 1894.

Voted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 17. What action will the Town take in regard to the conveyance of pupils of the Jerusalem district to the North Cohasset station.

Voted, that the Town will convey the pupils of the Jerusalem district attending the Osgood School, to the North Cohasset station, the expense being provided for under the fourth article, in the school appropriation.

ARTICLE 18. Will the Town place lightning rods on the Osgood School building, or action thereon.

Voted, that this article be passed over.

ARTICLE 19. What action will the Town take in regard to the conveyance of children living on the Jerusalem road to the Osgood School for the months of January, February, and March.

Voted, that the School Committee be authorized to convey children living on the Jerusalem road to the Osgood School for the months of January, February, and March.

ARTICLE 20. Will the Town raise and appropriate the sum of nine hundred dollars for the purchase of a Chemical Fire Engine, or act thereon.

Voted, that action on this article be indefinitely postponed.

ARTICLE 21. Will the Town raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred and twenty-five dollars for painting the buildings of the Fire Department, and shingling the roof of the house of Engine 1, or act thereon.

Voted, that action on this article be indefinitely postponed.

ARTICLE 22. Will the Town authorize the Board of Engineers to sell such property of the Fire Department as it may deem advisable, using the money received from such sales for the purchase of new apparatus or materials as the Department may from time to time require, or act thereon.

Voted, that action on this article be indefinitely postponed.

ARTICLE 23. Will the Town authorize the School Committee to provide conveyance for the children of the North District to the Osgood School during the months of January, February, and March of each year.

Voted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 24. Will the Town raise and appropriate one hundred dollars for lengthening out of the bridge at foot of Souther's Hill, on Beechwood Street, and fill in between road and wall, or act thereon.

Voted, that the above matter be referred to the Selectmen.

ARTICLE 25. Will the Town raise and appropriate three hundred dollars for the improvement of Church Street Park, or act thereon.

Voted, that two hundred dollars be raised and appropriated for the purpose above mentioned, to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen.

ARTICLE 26. Will the Town cause four electric lights to be placed on Doane Street at the following points: one at bridge, near E. F. Mitchell's residence; one near R. L. Curtis'; one near E. Brown's; one at or near the foot of hill, near church.

It being represented to the voters that to place additional lights as asked for would be impracticable, it was voted in the negative.

ARTICLE 27. Will the Town pay sixty-eight dollars and ninety-one cents for conveying Alfred Pratt, Chester Pratt, and Martha Lincoln to and from Beechwood to the Osgood School from September, 1891, one school year.

Voted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 28. Will the Town authorize the Selectmen to sell to Elliot Stoddard a parcel of land lying between the old county line and present line of Elm Street and Highland Avenue, in front of his premises on said street, or act thereon.

Voted, that the above matter be referred to the Selectmen with full powers.

ARTICLE 29. What action will the town take towards putting in improved facilities for heating the Town Hall building.

Voted, that a committee of five be appointed by the Moderator, to carefully consider the various modern methods for warming public buildings, ascertain the cost of placing such in our Town House, and report, with their recommendation, at the next annual meeting. The Moderator appointed for the above committee, Charles A. Gross, Louis N. Lincoln, Caleb Lothrop, Abraham H. Tower, and Philander Bates.

Voted, that the thanks of the meeting be extended to the Moderator for the able and impartial manner in which he has presided over this meeting.

A noon recess of one and one-half hours was taken, at which time a lunch was served in the dining hall to those who desired, by the ladies of the W. C. T. U., for a small remuneration.

The meeting was dissolved at about 2.30 o'clock in the afternoon.

ELECTION RECORD.

November 7, 1893.

Number of Registered Voters in Cohasset, 505.
Whole number of ballots cast, 316.

GOVERNOR.

	†Total Vote.	Vote of Cohasset.
Louis Albert Banks, Pro., of Hyde Park	8,556	4
George H. Cary, P. P., of Lynn.	4,885	1
*Frederic T. Greenhalge, Rep., of Lowell	192,613	203
Patrick F. O'Neil, S. C., of Boston	2,033	0
John E. Russell, Dem., of Leicester	156,916	100
Blanks		8

LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.

James B. Carroll, Dem., of Springfield	151,229	93
Joseph K. Harris, P. P., of Haverhill	5,680	1
Morris E. Ruther, S. L., of Holyoke	1,788	0
Henry C. Smith, Pro., of Williamsburg	8,584	4
*Roger Wolcott, Rep., of Boston	194,243	206
Blanks		12

* Elected. † Official.

SECRETARY.

James W. McDonald, Dem., of Marlborough	144,014	88
Frederick A. Nagler, S. L., of West Springfield,	2,429	0
*William M. Olin, Rep., of Boston	192,751	204
Samuel B. Shapleigh, Pro., of Boston	9,019	6
Isaac W. Skinner, P. P., of Waltham	6,184	2
Blanks		16

TREASURER.

Wilbert D. Farnham, Jr., Pro., of Somerville	9,058	6
*Henry M. Phillips, Rep., of Springfield	190,088	201
Squire E. Putney, S. L., of Somerville	2,970	0
Eben S. Stevens, Dem., of Dudley	143,632	88
Thomas A. Watson, P. P., of Braintree	6,462	3
Blanks		18

AUDITOR.

Alfred H. Evans, Pro., of Ashburnham	8,924	4
Bordman Hall, Dem., of Boston	145,468	89
*John W. Kimball, Rep., of Fitchburg	188,767	199
Hermann J. Koepke, S. L., of Pittsfield	2,039	0
Maurice W. Landers, P. P., of Pittsfield	5,802	1
Blanks		23

ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

*Hosea M. Knowlton, Rep., of New Bedford	192,193	204
Charles S. Lilley, Dem., of Lowell	143,214	82
Daniel Lynch, S. L., of Boston	2,937	1
Robert F. Raymond, Pro., of New Bedford	8,664	5
Conrad Reno, P. P., of Boston	5,309	1
Blanks		23

COUNCILLOR.— First District.

*Ziba C. Keith, Rep., of Brockton	23,364	200
George H. Palmer, Dem., of Fairhaven	13,399	88
Blanks		28

REGISTER OF PROBATE AND INSOLVENCY.

*Jonathan Cobb, Rep., Dem., of Dedham	16,048	220
Blanks		96

COUNTY COMMISSIONER.— Norfolk.

*Watts H. Bowker, Rep., of Brookline	11,524	194
Elliot C. Lee, Dem., of Brookline	8,455	91
Blanks		31

SENATOR.— First Plymouth District.

*Edward B. Atwood, Rep., of Plymouth	4,575	200
Isaiah T. Churchill, Dem., of Whitman	2,650	91
Charles D. Nash, P. P., of Whitman	347	1
Blanks		24

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT.— Fourth Plymouth District.

Charles F. Kenerson, Dem., of Hingham	376	95
*Thomas Weston, Rep., of Hingham	744	197
Blanks		24

Shall the proposed Amendment to the Constitution relative to the Payment of Mileage to Members of the General Court be approved and ratified;

Yes	125,375	103
No	80,855	45
Blanks		168

And the said Article of Amendment was ratified and adopted.

Vote of the Fourth Plymouth Representative District for Representative to the General Court:

	Cohasset.	Hingham.	Hull.	Total.
Charles F. Kenerson, of Hingham,	95	223	58	376
Thomas Weston, of Hingham,	197	502	45	744
George Jacobs, of Hingham,	0	1	0	1
Francis H. Lincoln, of Hingham,	0	1	0	1
George F. Jacobs, of Hingham,	0	1	0	1
Blanks	24	66	11	101
Total	316	794	114	1,224

It appearing that Thomas Weston, of Hingham, had received a plurality of the votes given in, a certificate of election was issued to him.

ERRATUM.

In the last Town Report, on page 13, in the Election Record for November 8, 1892, Charles S. Hamlin is given 16,036 votes for Secretary. It should be, 160,036.

FIRE RECORD, 1893.

February 9. Grass in field belonging to estate of the late Job Pratt. No damage.

March 17. Stable belonging to Amos A. Lawrence, on Highland Avenue, damaged to extent of $800, and $300 on contents. Insurance on building only.

April 5. Woodland belonging to heirs of Nichols Tower. No damage.

June 30. Railroad car at Cohasset station damaged $750. Uninsured.

August 18. Blacksmith Shop on Jerusalem Road, belonging to Thomas Roche, totally destroyed. Loss, $300. Uninsured.

October 2. Dwelling house on South Main Street, belonging to Mrs. Louis T. Cushing, damaged $150. Insured.

MILITARY DUTY.

Number of men in Cohasset liable to perform military duty, May 1, 1893	305

DOGS LICENSED, 1893.

Male	123
Female	6
Total	129

LIST OF MARRIAGES, BIRTHS, AND DEATHS

Registered in Cohasset during the Year 1893.

MARRIAGES.

Date.	NAMES.	Residence.	Where and by whom Married.
Jan. 5	Clarence S. Burr Minnie N. Fox	Hingham Cohasset	Married in Hingham by Rev. Joseph Osgood, D.D.
" 12	Frank Jason Margaret L. Supple	Cohasset "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Ignatius P. Egan.
" 31	Elmer F. Burrows Mabel E. Taylor	Scituate "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood, D.D.
Feb. 13	Joseph F. Angle Marianna Pierson	Cohasset "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Ignatius P. Egan.
" 19	William H. Litchfield Susan Bates	Cohasset "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood, D.D.
March 21	Harry F. Tilden Nellie J. Pratt	Cohasset "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood, D. D.
April 18	Arthur H. Thayer Leora I. Young	Cohasset "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood, D. D.
" 18	Bela B. Nichols Lavinia Cook	Cohasset E. Haddam, Ct.	Married in E. Haddam, Conn., by Rev. Lucius W. Shey.
" 20	John G. Littlefield Ellen D. Osgood	Phila., Pa. Cohasset	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood, D.D.
" 23	Walter J. Richards Judith E. Damon	Weymouth Cohasset	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood, D.D.
" 26	Joseph R. Hooper *Ida Davis (Furbush)	Danvers "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. E. V. Bigelow.
" 30	Frank F. Martin Annie L. Grassie	Cohasset "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Ignatius P. Egan.
June 29	Charles J. White Olivia A. Richardson	Boston Cohasset	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood, D. D.
July 9	John Kennedy Mary J. O'Connor	Cohasset "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Ignatius P. Egan.
Sept. 3	John J. Grassie Caroline E. Neagle	Cohasset Charlestown	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Ignatius P. Egan.
" 7	Charles W. Studley Emma J. Reed	Cohasset "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood, D.D.
" 11	John Griffin Katie McGown	Cohasset "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Ignatius P. Egan.
" 13	William H. Murphy Ellen F. Ward	Scituate "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Ignatius P. Egan.

*Second marriage.

MARRIAGES — *Continued.*

Date.		NAMES.	Residence.	When and by whom Married.
Oct.	14	Joseph M. Cann	Weymouth	Married in Cohasset by Rev. E. Victor Bigelow.
		Abbie E. Wentworth	Cohasset	
"	19	Herman S. James	Cohasset	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood, D.D.
		Sarah A. Bates	"	
"	30	Albert H. Farrington	Scituate	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood, D.D.
		Ruth E. Nott	"	
Nov.	20	Alfred V. Freeman	Duxbury	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood, D.D.
		Nellie Studley	Cohasset	
"	29	*Arthur C. Hamlin	Weymouth	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood, D.D.
		Mary L. Bates	Cohasset	
Dec.	3	William W. Damon	Scituate	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood, D.D.
		Flora C. Ney	Cohasset	
"	9	Jesse P. Litchfield	Scituate	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood, D.D.
		Effie L. Litchfield	"	
"	14	James B. Lincoln	Cohasset	Married in Cohasset by Rev. John Sharp.
		Eva L. Bates	"	

*Second marriage.

Twenty-six marriages were registered in Cohasset in 1893, as per list above.

BIRTHS. — 1893.

Date.	NAMES OF BABIES.	PARENTS' NAMES.	Mother's M. N.	Place of Bi
Jan. 19	—— Mullen	James F. and Mary E.	Fogarty	Beechwood
" 27	Gracie Helen Kinsley	Thomas F. and Emma L.	Locke	King St.
Feb. 3	Paul Howe	Oliver H. and Martha D.	Paul	No. Main St
" 13	Harold Fenno Barnes	Charles V. and Harriet A.	Morse	No. Main St
" 18	Russell Enos, Ralph Soito Enos } twins	Joseph S. and Eliza A.	Antoine	Summer St.
" 28	Benjamin Preston Clark	Benjamin P. and Josephine F.	Allen	Boston
Mar. 2	Clara Lewis Nott	Charles E. and Clara M.	Small	Pleasant St.
" 9	Alonzo Palmer Wilson	Joseph H. and Julia C. M.	Henry	Sohier St.
" 10	Henrietta Keene	Arthur R. and Adelaide A.	Studley	Beach St.
" 12	Lester Francis Dolan	John J. and Amy C.	Johnson	Hull St.
Apr. 14	Edward Michael Fleming	John and Delia E.	Kelley	Border St.
" 20	Minnie Amanda Bates	William H. and Merriam L.	Burbank	King St.
May 30	Laurence Dam Petersen	Peter A. D. and Inger M.	Jensen	Jer. Road E
June 5	Ethel Florence Enos	Manuel S. and Alice	Antoine	Elm St.
" 13	Manuel Oliver	Manuel and Marianna	Dears	Margin St.
" 20	Gracie May Ferreira	John J. and Mary J.	Felomena	Elm St.
" 25	Julia Bryant	William S. and Martha L.	Cox	Snow Place
" 29	Madge Forester Higgins	Joshua F. and Celia L.	Studley	Margin St.
July 3	Hammond John Collins	John and Maria E.	Bean	Jerusalem
" 18	Hubbard Cleavland Williams, Harry Cleavland Williams } twins	Harry W. and Kate	Bundurant	James' Lan
" 24	Frances Isabel Roche	John, Jr., and Mary H.	Murphy	No. Main St
" 30	Louisa Francis Frates	John E. F. and Louisa	Mulvey	Stockbridge
Aug. 3	Thomas Addison Lothrop	Caleb and Mary E.	Gross	Summer St.
" 9	Victor Everett Howard Marshall	Howard D. and Lottie C.	Bauckman	Cedar St.
" 11	Charles Valine Antoine	Charles V. and Helen C.	Francis	Stockbridge
" 13	Dorothy Lothrop Nichols	Edward and Ella G.	Tower	Ripley Roa
Sept. 6	John Francis Kennedy	John and Mary	O'Conner	Beechwood
" 15	Georgianna Louise Gertrude Smith	John and Lucy E.	Fratus	Pleasant St
" 20	Marion Wood Tower	Charles and Emma P.	McNaught	Elm St.
" 24	Lot Elmer Bates	Elmer E. and Myra E.	Bates	Beechwood
Oct. 12	Beatrice Mary Martin	Frank F., Jr., and Annie L.	Grassie	Border St.
" 22	Hester Stanley James	Frederic G. and Elizabeth R.	McCormick	King St.
" 30	Albert Walter Wixen	Walter W. and Christina	McCloud	Boston
Nov. 15	Mary Josephine Grassie	Antoine and Mary A.	Joseph	Border St.
Dec. 1	Walter Chester Wheelwright	Frank W. and Lillian M.	Stoddard	Beechwood
" 4	Mary Elizabeth Mulhern	Matthew and Margaret	Leslie	Pleasant St
" 11	Helen Leonore Mulvey	William and Margaret L.	Devine	Pond St.
" 12	Julia Maria Coyne	Michael M. and Catherine	Keenan	Highland A

The above list contains the names, or the parents' names, of forty babies born during 1893, and, with two exceptions, born in Cohasset. The list is evenly divided between male and female, there being twenty of each. There were born of

American parents	20
Foreign "	12
American father and foreign mother	3
Foreign father and American mother	5

DEATHS.—1893.

Date.		NAMES.	Age. Y.	M.	D.	Cause of Death.	Place of Death.
Jan.	15	Jane P. (Powers) Cook	80	11	..	Altony of the Stomach	Bow St.
"	17	*Dennis Finnin	57	..	..	Paralysis	Summer St.
"	19	——— Mullen	..	..	1	Debility	Beechwood St.
Feb.	8	†Evelyn M. Reamy	10	7	8	Heart Failure	Border St.
"	10	Isaac S. Pratt	83	..	..	Heart Disease	Beechwood St.
"	28	*Richard Connell	..	..	..	Stillborn	Jerusalem Road
Mar.	7	*Rose E. Mattie	3	3	20	Membraneous Croup	Margin St.
"	15	Joseph Smith	68	2	..	Blood Poisoning	Smith Place
"	18	‡Phillip Sullivan	42	8	..	Alcoholism and Exposure	Near do.
"	21	§Russell Enos	..	1	..	Collapse of Lungs	Summer St.
April	9	Levi Tower	83	3	10	Pneumonia	No. Main St.
"	10	Rebecca (Bates) Tower	81	10	2	"	" "
"	30	*Charles W. Kittrell	17	9	13	Tuberculosis	Hull St.
May	4	*Daniel Desmond	36	6	7	Pulmonary Phthisis	Margin St.
June	12	——— Dalton	..	..	..	Stillborn	Smith Place
"	21	§Joseph R. Silver	43	11	1	Angina Pectoris	Stockbridge St.
"	30	J. Foster Doane	57	5	28	Bright's Disease	No. Main St.
July	10	John J. Lincoln	65	11	..	Carcinoma	So. Main St.
"	16	John S. Taylor	73	3	..	Apoplexy	Church St.
"	30	§Louisa F. Frates	..	..	1	Heart Disease	Stockbridge St.
Aug.	14	§Helen May McGrath	..	3	29	Cholera Infantum	" "
"	16	Mary B. (Lincoln) Neale	83	8	17	Cystitis	Sohier St.
"	18	Mary L. (Beal) Knight	40	..	..	Consumption	Highland Ave.
"	21	‖Mary G. (Ripley) Howe	55	5	16	Sarcoma	Sohier St.
"	28	Osgood Tower	3	5	20	Cholera Infantum	Elm St.
Sept.	11	Esther P. (Damon) Creed	30	6	24	Acute Rheumatism	Border St.
Oct.	19	Thomas Bates	78	5	25	Uræmia	No. Main St.
"	25	Bela Joy	87	1	21	Old Age	So. Main St.
Nov.	8	——— Mullen	..	..	..	Stillborn	Beechwood St.
"	12	‡Patrick Cronican	64	7	23	Cancer of Stomach	Pleasant St.
Dec.	6	William Hayden	81	8	16	Paralysis	Alms House
"	8	Mary E. Mulhern	..	..	3	Premature Birth	Pleasant St.

* Buried at Hingham.
† " " Plymouth.
‡ Buried at Quincy.
§ " " Scituate.
‖ Buried at Forest Hills.

The above list of the names of thirty-two persons who died in Cohasset during 1893 comprises eighteen males and fourteen females, their average age being about forty-one years seven months and seven days. Twenty-three were born in Cohasset, three in foreign countries, two in Boston, and one in each — Scituate, Plymouth, Weymouth, and Quincy.

Ten were under five years of age, none between five and ten, two between ten and twenty, none between twenty and thirty, two between thirty and forty, three between forty and fifty, three between fifty and sixty, three between sixty and seventy, two between seventy and eighty, and seven over eighty.

The following bodies have been brought to Cohasset for interment (with one exception) during 1893, viz.: —

DEATHS. — 1893.

Date.	NAMES.	Age.			Cause of Death.	Place of Death.
		Y.	M.	D.		
Feb. 9	Lydie F. Renshaw	54	5	15	Cancer	Rockville Centre, N.Y
Mar. 4	Roy C Fuller	1	1	15	Measles	Everett
April 5	Ella A. Stoddard	50	5	5	Fibrous Tumor	Boston
" 6	Thomas Bates	60	6	..	Cancer of Stomach	"
" 26	Elizabeth Beal	75	7	22	Heart Disease	"
Aug. 23	Percy P. Merritt	..	4	3	Cholera Infantum	Scituate
Sept. 11	*Harry C. Williams	..	2	..	Marasmus	Essex
" 26	Catharine A. Davis	..	..	18	— —	Duxbury

*Buried at Essex.

NEWCOMB B. TOWER, *Town Clerk.*

REPORT

OF THE

BOARD OF SELECTMEN.

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN

OF

THE EXPENDITURES AND FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE TOWN OF COHASSET, FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31st, 1893.

Soldiers' and Sailors' Relief.

Emily N. Phinney.

Paid Town orders		$60 00

Margaret Nott.

Paid Town orders		42 00

William F. Harris and Family.

Paid Town orders	$85 00	
City of Lowell	17 14	
Town of Billerica	134 39	
S. R. Carter	3 90	
Clarrisa O. Harris	42 00	
Cohasset Clothing Co.	34 25	
P. Bates	2 00	
Dr. C. B. Bridgham	2 00	
Board at Almshouse	30 00	
		350 68

Mrs. Oliver Henderson and Family.

Paid City of Newburyport		10 25

Isaac H. Tower and Family.

Paid P. Bates, boots and mending	$49 92	
Cohasset Clothing Co.	6 25	
Tower, Bro. & Co., wood	16 75	
		72 92

Delia Rooney and Family.

Paid Town of Brookline		50 30
		$586 15

State and Military Aid.

Paid Hannah F. Arnold	$48 00	
Harriet J. Apts	48 00	
Leander W. Groce	36 00	
Julia F. Henry	48 00	
Alfred Haskell	48 00	
Warren Newcomb	54 00	
Charles F. Bennett	21 00	
Delia Rooney	8 00	
Mary Murphy	8 00	
Margaret Nott	8 00	
J. Foster Doane	72 00	
Robert L. Curtis	96 00	
Solomon J. Hayden	120 00	
Isaac H. Tower	48 00	
Willie F. Thayer	54 00	
		$717 00
Amount to be reimbursed by the State		549 00
		$168 00

State and County Tax.

Paid State Tax	$5,475 00	
County Tax	4,685 21	
		$10,160 21

Electric Lights.

Paid Treasurer Cohasset Electric Co.	$5,000 00

Public Library.

Paid A. H. Tower, Treasurer	$700 00

Henry Bryant Post, G. A. R.

Paid William F. Thayer, Quartermaster	$100 00

Osgood School Building.

Paid Fuller, Warren & Co. balance of contract	$1,295 00

School Appropriation.

Paid Treasurer of School Committee . .	$12,900 00	
Interest of Ripley Fund	40 40	
Amount returned from dog licenses . .	213 62	
		$13,154 02

Printing.

Paid Bates & Brown, Reports	$200 00	
" " Warrants	11 00	
Pratt Bros., notices	23 75	
Cotton & Gould, tax bills	13 95	
		$248 70

Cohasset and Hingham Water Co's.

Paid Treasurer of Cohasset Water Co. . .	$1,750 00	
" " Hingham " " . .	150 00	
		$1,900 00

Fire Department.

Paid to order of Fire Engineers $535 46

BOARD OF ENGINEERS, 1893-94.

EDWARD E. WENTWORTH, Chief.

CHARLES A. GROSS, 1st Assistant. HENRY E. BRENNOCK, 2d Assistant.

HENRY T. P. BATES, Clerk.

ALSON S. RICHARDSON, A. BRADFORD LITCHFIELD.

AUDITING COMMITTEE.

CHARLES A. GROSS, HENRY E. BRENNOCK.

COMPANIES AND APPARATUS.

ENGINE ONE. — Junction South Main and Elm Streets. Hand Engine, with Hose Reel carrying 500 feet. Eleven men. Stephen R. Nichols, foreman; Ruben F. Tower, clerk.

HOOK AND LADDER ONE. — Border Street, opposite Summer. Ladder Truck, eight ladders and hooks, and Boston Extension Ladder. Twelve men. George Jason, foreman; Frank F. Martin, Jr., clerk.

ZACCHEUS RICH HOSE ONE. — Border Street, opposite Summer. Hose Wagon, carrying 1,000 feet. Thirteen men. Harry E. Mapes, foreman; Thomas A. Rich, clerk.

HOSE TWO. — Corner Jerusalem Road and Hull Street. Hose Reel, carrying 500 feet. Three men. James S. Beal, foreman.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ENGINEERS.

To the Selectmen of Cohasset: —

GENTLEMEN, — In accordance with the requirements of the Public Statutes, the gentlemen appointed by your Board to constitute the Board of Engineers of the Cohasset Fire Department for the year ending April 30, 1894, met at the house of Engine 1, on the evening of May 3, 1893, and organized by the choice of officers as enumerated upon the title page of this report.

The past year in the fire department has been an uneventful one. Nothing has occurred to mar the perfect harmony which has existed during the past two years, and the efficiency is even better than that of the previous year.

With the exception of one death and a few resignations the personnel of the several companies remains the same as at the beginning of the year.

IMPROVEMENTS.

Owing to the action of the town at the Annual Meeting last March, improvements to buildings and property of the department during the year have of necessity been very meagre.

We have, however, purchased for the use of the company of Engine 1 a balanced hose reel, capable of carrying 600 feet of hose, to replace the reel formerly attached to the engine, which was far too heavy for use by the men while working as a hose company. The cost of this reel was $90, which amount was taken from the regular appropriation for the department.

We have also had the roof of the L of the house of Zaccheus Rich Hose 1 tinned, a job made absolutely necessary from the fact that the roof leaked to such an extent as to ruin considerable of the department property in the building. The expense of this work was also taken from our regular appropriation.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

We would again call the attention of the citizens of the town to the absolute necessity of additional apparatus for the extinguishing of fires, especially in the outlying sections of the town.

New Hook and Ladder Truck Needed.

The Hook and Ladder Truck at the Harbor is absolutely unsafe for use, not being sufficiently strong to carry its weight of ladders, hooks, etc., together with the members of the company. It was originally built as a hand truck, to be pulled by the company, and not by horses. For this purpose it is still well fitted.

We would therefore most earnestly recommend that it be transferred to the Beechwood district, manned by a new company, and that a new truck of suitable size and strength be purchased for use of the company at the Harbor. The cost of such a truck as is needed will be about $450, and this amount we urge the town to appropriate at the next Annual Meeting.

Hose Reel at North End.

The hose reel formerly attached to Engine 1 is now stored as a spare piece of apparatus. Should the Town wish to equip it for use as an emergency reel to be stored at some convenient point at the North End, it can be made ready for use at an expense of about $200 for hose, about $30 for gates, wrenches, spanners, etc.

North Cohasset Needs Protection.

We would again call the attention of the citizens to the meagre facilities afforded at present for the extinguishing of fires on the Jerusalem Road and at North Cohasset, and would urge again the placing of suitable fire apparatus in those sections of the town.

A hose wagon, with all necessary equipments, is an absolute necessity, for North Cohasset, and the longer its purchase is delayed, just so long will the valuable property in that vicinity be needlessly exposed to destruction by fire.

Painting and Repairs.

The houses of Hose 1 and Hook and Ladder 1, at the Harbor, and of Engine 1, at the Centre, are in need of immediate painting, and the latter building should also be shingled during the coming year. For these purposes we would recommend the appropriation at the next annual town meeting of the sum of $300.

We would again recommend that hydrant service be established at Sandy Cove and on Beach Island. At least three hydrants should be provided in those sections. At present we have no means of successfully fighting a fire in either of those sections, and should a fire start there the loss would of necessity be very great.

General Expenses.

For the general expenses of maintenance of the Department for the coming year we would recommend the appropriation of the sum of $800. In this recommendation we include firemen's poll taxes, stewards' salaries, horses to fires, supplies, and incidental expenses.

Daniel Desmond.

It is with feelings of deep regret that we refer to the loss to the department, by death, of one of its most valued members. A more faithful, efficient, and hard-working firemen than was Daniel Desmond was never connected with this department, and in his death not only the company of Zaccheus Rich Hose 1, of which he was a member, but the entire department, as well, has lost a man whose position it will be difficult to fill.

Fire Record.

Feb. 9. Grass fire on land of estate of Job Pratt, on Ripley Road. Extinguished by members of the department without an alarm. Loss trifling.

April 5. Fire burned over about five acres of woodland on Beach Street, owned by heirs of Nichols Tower. Damage trifling.

March 17. Fire in Amos A. Lawrence's stable on Highland Avenue caused a loss on building and contents of $1,100; insurance paid, $705. Caught in hostler's room on second floor, from a kerosene stove. Extinguished by department after a hard fight. The receipt of a check for $100 from Mr. Lawrence as a present to the department is hereby acknowledged with thanks.

June 30. Fire in a passenger car of the Old Colony railroad, standing at Cohasset station, caused damage estimated at $750. Extinguished by department. Cause supposed to have been cigar stub setting fire to a cushion.

Aug. 18. Blacksmith shop of Thomas Roche, on Jerusalem Road, destroyed with all contents. Loss, $350. No insurance. Cause, probably incendiary.

Sept. 18. Bush fire on Pond Street caused a needless alarm.

Oct. 2. Residence of Mary R. Cushing, corner South Main and Beechwood Streets, damage to extent of $150. Fire extinguished, without an alarm, by members of the family. Caused probably by fire on an earthen hearth igniting a wooden timber supporting same.

Respectfully submitted,

E. E. WENTWORTH.

Henry T. P. Bates, *Clerk.*

By order of the Board of Engineers.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ENGINEERS.

For the year ending December 31, 1893, orders have been drawn by this board for the payment of bills as follows: —

Engineer's Department.

Paid Abraham H. Tower, collector, six engineers' poll taxes	$12 00	
C. F. B. Tilden, horse and wagon to fire, in woods	1 50	
		$13 50

Independence Engine One.

Paid Abraham H. Tower, collector, ten firemen's poll taxes	$20 00	
Harry F. Tilden, steward's salary	30 00	
Boston Woven Hose and Rubber Co., hose reel and fixtures	90 00	
Boston Woven Hose and Rubber Co., Callahan shut-off nozzle	15 00	
Lincoln Bros., coal and wood	24 64	
Harry W. Lincoln, setting glass	1 00	
C. F. B. Tilden, horses to fires	9 00	
Allen C. Bates, supplies	9 10	
Henry E. Brennock, tool box and pipe posts for reel	6 00	
Gross & Nichols, supplies	8 87	
" " cash paid for freight on reel,	1 20	
Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber and supplies	3 78	
William H. Beal, repairs	50	
		$219 09

Zaccheus Rich Hose One.

Paid Abraham H. Tower, collector, nine firemen's poll taxes	$18 00	
John J. Ainslie, steward's salary	40 00	
Henry E. Brennock, labor on roof	7 50	
" " making brass connections,	16 50	
Boston Woven Hose and Rubber Co., 200 feet 3-4 inch hose	20 00	
Boston Woven Hose and Rubber Co., Fairy nozzle	65	
Boston Woven Hose and Rubber Co., balance on exchange of hose	4 60	
C. F. B. Tilden, horses to fire	3 00	
Amount carried forward	$110 25	

Amount brought forward	$110 25	
Paid Amos E. Tilden, horses to fires	23 50	
Allen C. Bates, tinning roof	13 20	
Gross & Nichols, supplies	3 52	
Tower, Bro. & Co., fuel, lumber and supplies	19 27	
D. W. Pratt, painting and setting glass	4 50	
Wallace Willcutt, supplies	2 58	
		$176 82

NANTASKET HOSE TWO.

Paid Abraham H. Tower, collector, two firemen's poll taxes	$4 00	
James S. Beal, storage of apparatus	18 30	
" " cleaning hose	3 00	
Charles L. Kittrell, cleaning hose	3 00	
		$28 30

HOOK AND LADDER ONE.

Paid Abraham H. Tower, collector, twelve firemen's poll taxes	$24 00	
Joseph A. Antoine, steward's salary	20 00	
C. F. Bennett, labor on platform	2 50	
Joseph E. Grassie, cigars	4 00	
Joseph Jason, horses to fires	13 00	
C. F. B. Tilden, horses to fires	3 00	
Allen C. Bates, faucet, pipe and labor	1 40	
Gross & Nichols, supplies	1 75	
Tower, Bro. & Co., fuel, lumber and supplies	9 75	
D. W. Pratt, setting glass	30	
Wallace Willcutt, supplies	70	
		$80 40

MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid Boston Woven Hose and Rubber Co., rubber gaskets	$1 00	
Boston Woven Hose and Rubber Co., cotton waste	3 00	
John F. Smith, watching fire	1 00	
Bates & Brown, printing and stationery	10 50	
		$15 50

Appropriation for year	$700 00
Total expenditures for year	$533 61
Amount unexpended	$166 39

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY T. P. BATES.
Clerk of the Board.

Watering Streets.

Paid Hingham Water Co., water	$220 00	
Est. Alden Beal, watering streets	300 00	
Charles S. Bates " "	500 00	
C. F. B. Tilden " "	150 00	
Cohasset Water Co., repairs on pump	25 50	
Charles F. Tilden, iron work	7 00	
Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber	5 74	
C. F. Nichols, services	3 00	
		$1,211 24

Town Hall.

Paid Treasurer of Cohasset Electric Co.	$88 48	
Mary Reilly, cleaning	10 00	
J. Q. A. Lothrop, agent insurance	101 25	
Lincoln Bros., coal and wood	29 38	
Allen C. Bates, repairs	9 04	
William T. Tilden, carpenter	15 00	
Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber	10 37	
D. W. Pratt, painting	17 18	
Charles F. Tilden, iron work	2 50	
		$283 20

Abatements.

Abated from tax, 1892	$53 62	
" " " 1893	345 52	
		$399 14

Highways.

Paid Philander Bates, Superintendent of Streets	$7,114 83

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS.

To the Board of Selectmen: —

GENTLEMEN, — The work on our roads has been carried on, as in past years, with the end in view of making as many permanent improvements as possible, and yet keep them in safe condition for travel. In my last report, attention was called to the need of widening the road near steep rocks on the Jerusalem Road. This work was done early in the season, a substantial wall built the entire length of the widening, with iron posts

and railing covered with two coats of paint, at a cost of about one thousand dollars. Most of the stone for the wall was taken from a ledge that projected into the street at foot of hill on Bow Street, which greatly improved the street at that point. The hill opposite the residence of Mrs. Samuel Bates was in a poor condition on account of the ledge becoming bare, and it seemed best to lower it by blasting rather than cover it over, and thus raise the hill. The grading of Elm Street with crushed stone where needed was continued from the residence of A. E. Tilden to the Engine House, and we now have a good road bed upon that street, excepting a few places at easterly end which need some attention. Nearly four hundred loads of crushed stone were used in this work. Gravel has been carted upon the roads quite extensively, as you see by report of loads used. The places graveled were on Beechwood Street near Minots rock; South Main Street near residence of B. R. Pegram and at corner of South Main and Summer Streets; North Main Street near residence of Miss Annie Fox and Great Swamp; Ripley Road south of Sohier Street; Beach Street near residence of Miss J. B. Tower, and Stockbridge Street.

In last report the subject of street crossings was referred to. Since making that report, my observation of such work in other towns I have had occasion to pass through, and inquiries made of parties who have constructed such crossings, convinced me that granite crossings for our town would be cheaper, more durable, and, so far as the convenience of travellers, answer the same purpose as concrete. I therefore, with your consent, put granite crossings over the street near residence of Dr. O. H. Howe, and head of Depot Avenue.

This work should be continued until our street crossings, over which there is travel enough to warrant the expense, are covered with granite. There are still places upon our roads that need widening and improving, and I would recommend for the coming year the sum of six thousand dollars for repairs and improvements upon the roads and sidewalks.

The following is a statement of appropriations, and amounts paid for labor, teams, gravel, and crushed stone: —

Amount of balance unexpended, as per report	$111 60
" of appropriation	7,000 00
" received on account common	22 75
" " " " board of health	27 50
" " " " trimming trees	12 00
" " " " Straits Pond	13 99
" " of Elliot Stoddard, use of drills	5 00
" " of C. F. B. Tilden, stone	4 70
	$7,197 54
Amount expended, as per account	7,191 07
Balance	$6 47

Paid Edward E. Tower,	team	$120 36
Louis T. Cushing,	"	157 38
George W. Mealy,	"	215 24
Waldo C. Locke	"	66 88
Thomas Loney,	"	74 00
Thomas W. Whitcomb,	"	18 37
Elmer E. Bates,	"	59 24
Oliver H. Bates,	"	23 62
Levi Lincoln,	"	23 62
Samuel E. Pratt,	"	15 75
Manuel S. Leonard,	"	171 58
Est. Alden Beal,	"	189 12
George W. Pratt,	"	30 13
Horace J. Damon,	"	12 50
Ira B. Pratt,	"	10 50
Joseph W. Whitcomb,	"	10 50
John W. Bates,	"	15 75
Warren Bates,	"	46 00
C. F. B. Tilden,	"	126 00
Edwin W. Bates,	"	23 62
A. S. Richardson,	"	30 55
Joseph Jason,	"	204 74
Almshouse,	"	103 70
A. E. Tilden,	"	367 03
Peter C. Kimball,	"	10 45
William W. Bates,	"	18 50
James O'Brien,	labor	279 60
Caleb Lincoln,	"	14 00
Manuel R. Silvey,	"	386 02
Stephen Reilly,	"	269 00
Oren R. Beal,	"	16 00
Frank M. Nichols,	"	37 80
Joseph Battles,	"	4 85
William Lee,	"	84 00
Otis V. Barnes,	"	340 62
Michael Mannix,	"	23 96
Richard Cadden,	"	45 50
Henry Bates,	"	53 50
Manuel Oliver,	"	88 50
Joseph F. Silvey,	"	89 50
Foster Litchfield,	"	7 00
John E. F. Frates,	"	94 00
George M. Ennis,	"	114 00
Ellery C. Bates,	"	14 00
Amount carried forward		$4,106 98

Amount brought forward	$4,106 98
Paid William H. Pratt, labor	10 00
Thomas Mulcahay, "	55 00
John S. Grassie, "	19 00
Manuel Silvey, 3d, "	52 50
Frank Pearson, "	37 00
William T. Litchfield, "	10 00
John Roche, Jr., "	5 50
Antone Vargus, "	10 00
Thomas H. Ney, "	2 00
J. W. Frates, "	2 00
George Pratt, "	5 00
Robert L. Curtis, "	6 00
M. W. Silvia, "	2 00
Manuel E. Brazil, "	50 50
A. S. Richardson, "	55 60
Oren Beal, "	25 00
Joseph F. Priest, "	51 00
C. L. Kettrell, "	31 00
Fred G. James, "	48 00
John J. A. Pratt, "	6 50
I. C. Vinal, "	15 00
Antone Salvedor, "	25 00
Manuel S. Enos, "	41 50
Manuel P. Valine, "	87 72
Charles V. Barnes, "	14 25
Thomas S. Grassie, "	6 50
Manuel Silvey, 2d, "	5 00
N. Y., N. H. & H. Railroad, freight	24 00
Express	1 55
Dodge, Haley & Co., steel	14 20
Tower Bros. & Co., drain pipe and lumber	155 60
H. O. Beal, drain pipe	1 00
D. O. Wade, labor and lumber	25 27
C. E. West, rend rock	2 62
C. A. Gross & Co., rend rock	43 87
Allen C. Bates, tools	4 95
O. E. Madden, use of derrick	16 25
Charles Wilson, stone	107 50
Charles E. McKenzie, smithing	4 10
Charles F. Tilden, smithing	79 20
M. Donahue, "	3 45
P. Bates, services and expenses	700 00
E. E. Tower, 404 loads crushed stone	505 00
Amount carried forward	$6,474 11

Amount brought forward	$6,474 11	
Paid E. E. Tower, 16 " " " delivered,	28 00	
" " 77 " gravel	64 00	
" " 767 " "	153 26	
" " 562 " " single . .	70 25	
John Beal, 124 " crushed stone . .	155 00	
Aaron Pratt, labor, gravel, etc. . . .	43 95	
Isaiah Lincoln " " " . . .	26 27	
R. H. Priest, 60 loads gravel	15 00	
Samuel Nichols, gravel	59 10	
Lot W. Bates, 220 loads gravel . . .	33 00	
J. Q. A. Lothrop, agent, gravel . . .	69 13	
Amount expended		$7,191 07

Respectfully submitted,

PHILANDER BATES, *Supt.*

Widening Beechwood Street.

Paid A. B. Litchfield and Edwin Bates		$100 00

Removing Snow.

Paid Wm. O. Souther and others	$211 35	
Samuel E. Pratt " "	167 87	
Est. Alden Beal	82 50	
Amos E. Tilden	151 90	
Geo. W. Staples	10 00	
Philander Bates, bills paid	316 87	
E. E. Wentworth, snow plow	9 50	
C. F. Tilden, snow plow	9 75	
C. F. B. Tilden, snow	272 00	
		$1,231 74

Pratt's Park.

Paid W. W. Bates	$12 50	
E. E. Bates	10 00	
S. E. Pratt	10 00	
E. W. Bates	10 00	
T. W. Whitcomb	12 50	
J. W. Bates	10 00	
Amount carried forward	$65 00	

Amount brought forward	$65 00	
Paid H. J. Damon	10 00	
G. W. Pratt	10 00	
J. W. Whitcomb	10 00	
I. B. Pratt	10 00	
J. Frates	8 75	
E. Bates	4 00	
F. Frates	13 00	
F. Litchfield	8 00	
W. Silva	8 00	
S. C. Pratt	8 00	
T. Ney	4 00	
W. T. Litchfield	7 00	
A. Vargos	3 00	
R. L. Curtis	7 00	
A. Frates	6 00	
S. L. Damon	1 00	
A. J. Arnold	8 75	
E. Silva	7 00	
I. Lincoln	7 00	
F. A. Vargos	1 50	
A. Pratt, gravel	44 22	
I. Lincoln "	6 78	
		$258 00

Cemetery on Pond Street.

Paid Benjamin F. Shattuck, land	$3,500 00	
D. N. Tower, surveying	103 81	
" " superintending	50 00	
C. F. B. Tilden, teams	60 50	
Wm. Mulvey, "	26 86	
M. S. Leonard, "	41 13	
Geo. W. Mealy, "	22 75	
Manuel Silva, "	14 00	
J. F. Silva, Jr., labor	13 13	
Samuel Williams, "	16 63	
Wm. McNamara, "	19 25	
A. W. Hayden, "	17 50	
J. A. Antone, "	18 38	
F. L. James, "	21 00	
J. Frates, "	17 50	
Wm. St. John "	13 13	
Daniel Golden "	11 38	
Amount carried forward	$3,966 95	

Amount brought forward	$3,966 95	
Paid Manuel Gracia	14 88	
P. Cronican	10 50	
L. Willard	7 50	
F. Pearson	14 00	
J. F. Silva	12 25	
Antone Peters	10 50	
James Henry	7 00	
Thomas Mannix	7 00	
Manuel Silva, 3d	8 75	
J. E. F. Frates	8 75	
George Ennice	8 75	
A. H. Burdick	7 19	
Tower, Bro. & Co., drain pipe, etc.	20 44	
A. E. Tilden, barge	4 25	
F. M. Nichols, smithing	2 50	
		$4,111 21

Road Case.

Paid M. F. Dickinson, Jr.	$225 00	
E. E. Wentworth	10 00	
		$235 00

Night Police.

Paid Edward E. Wentworth	$370 00

Town Officers.

Paid J. Q. A. Lothrop, services and expenses as Selectman and Assessor	$300 00	
Philander Bates, services and expenses as Selectman and Assessor	300 00	
Caleb F. Nichols, services and expenses as Selectman and Assessor	300 00	
Abraham H. Tower, Treasurer and Collector of Taxes	300 00	
Newcomb B. Tower, Town Clerk	75 00	
Newcomb B. Tower, Registrar of Voters	21 00	
Charles F. Tilden, " " "	18 00	
C. James Pratt, " " "	18 00	
John M. Damon " " "	18 00	
Amount carried forward	$1,350 00	

Amount brought forward	$1,350 00	
Paid A. Bradford Litchfield, Constable . . .	50 00	
Henry E. Brennock. " . . .	50 50	
Edward E. Wentworth " . . .	53 00	
John Roche, Jr. " . . .	35 00	
Charles L. Kettrell, " . . .	25 00	
Allen C. Bates, sealer of weights and measures,	50 00	
Caleb Lothrop, Auditor	25 00	
Caleb Lothrop, Election Officer . .	5 00	
Spencer H. Stoughton, " " . .	5 00	
Abraham H. Tower, " " . .	5 00	
		$1,653 50

Incidental Expenses.

Paid C. F. B. Tilden, teams for constables . .	$14 00	
C. F. B. Tilden, freight	1 25	
E. Howard Watch & Clock Co., town clock .	33 19	
Henry King, M. D., return of births . .	25	
Dr. O. H. Howe " " . .	6 50	
Dr. C. B. Bridgham " " . .	3 75	
Henry E. Brennock, care of tramps and lockup,	70 00	
Henry E. Brennock, court fees . . .	8 49	
Edward E. Wentworth, " " . . .	36 26	
N. B. Fernald, " " . . .	16 82	
Daniel McGrath, " " . . .	6 05	
E. L. Burdakin, copying records . . .	20 00	
Andrew H. Prouty, gulf mill dam . . .	13 75	
E. E. Wentworth, board of health . . .	8 50	
Gross & Nichols, postage, stationery, etc. .	42 26	
" " " lunch for tramps . . .	6 09	
" " " board of health . . .	2 00	
Cyrus R. Keene, trees on common . . .	9 50	
Samuel D. Tower, repairs on hearse . .	9 75	
Allen C. Bates, tinware	66	
Lot W. Bates, care of clock	52 50	
Manuel Jason, lodging travellers . . .	4 00	
Peter C. Kimball, lunch, elections '92 & '93 .	24 00	
Daniel N. Tower, surveying	11 50	
Manuel P. Valine, board of health . . .	2 00	
Superintendent of Streets, care of common .	22 75	
" " " board of health .	27 50	
" " " trimming trees .	12 00	
" " " Straits Pond . .	13 99	
Amount carried forward	$479 31	

Amount brought forward	$479 31	
Paid Amos E. Tilden, horse hire, Selectmen	63 25	
" " " " Assessors	14 00	
" " " " Constables	42 00	
" " " " Town Clerk	9 75	
George E. Davis, team, Straits Pond	8 00	
Louis N. Lincoln, care of town hall	8 00	
Joseph St. John, lunch for tramps	91	
Alfred Beal, care of Straits Pond gate	81 90	
Alson S. Richardson " " "	5 00	
Charles F. Tilden, repairs of hearse	17 50	
" " " repair fence on common	11 80	
George W. Morse, seal bounty	3 00	
George F. Higgins, " "	6 00	
George O. Higgins, park at cove	5 00	
N. B. Tower, recording births, marriages, and deaths	32 90	
N. B. Tower, use of typewriter, etc.	15 00	
" " paid books, blank, etc.	6 97	
" " paid expressing	3 90	
J. Q. A. Lothrop, board of health	10 00	
C. F. Nichols, " " "	15 00	
Philander Bates, " " "	15 00	
" " distributing reports	6 00	
Dr. O. H. Howe, vaccinating children	15 00	
" " " board of health	5 00	
" " " certificate of examination	1 00	
		$881 19

Amount of Expenditures.

Soldiers' and Sailors' Relief	$556 15
State and Military Aid	717 00
State and County Tax	10,160 21
Electric Lights	5,000 00
Public Library	700 00
Henry Bryant Post, G. A. R.	100 00
Osgood School Building	1,295 00
School Appropriation	13,154 02
Printing	248 70
Cohasset and Hingham Water Companies	1,900 00
Fire Department	535 46
Watering Streets	1,211 24
Town Hall	283 20
Abatements	399 14
Amount carried forward	$36,260 12

Amount brought forward	$36,260 12	
Highways	7,114 83	
Widening Beechwood Street	100 00	
Removing Snow	1,231 74	
Pratt Park	258 00	
Cemetery, Pond Street	4.111 21	
Road Case	235 00	
Night Police	370 00	
Town Officers	1,653 50	
Incidental Expenses	881 19	
Support and Relief of Poor	6,506 06	
		$58,721 65

Indebtedness of the Town.

January, 1894.

OSGOOD SCHOOLHOUSE DEBT.

Cohasset Savings Bank, 9 time notes of $3,000 each, with interest at 4¾%	$27,000 00

FUNDED DEBT OF 1893.

Gay & Stanwood, 10 notes of $3,400 each, with interest at 4½%	$34,000 00

NEW CEMETERY DEBT.

Charles P. Bourne, demand note	$1,000 00
Cohasset Savings Bank, demand note, with interest at 5%	2,500 00
Total interest bearing debt	$64,500 00

Assets of the Town.

January, 1894.

Due from State for State and Military Aid	$549 00	
Mendoca Estate	575 00	
O'Brien Estate	100 00	
Enos Estate	620 00	
Lyons Estate	338 68	
City of Boston	55 76	
Town of Hingham	60 00	
Town of Weymouth	14 06	
Town of Provincetown	4 25	
Guardian of William Kilburn	200 00	
Amount brought forward	$2,516 75	

Amount carried forward	$2,516 75	
Due from William Mulvey	45 00	
" Ezekiel L. James	7 60	
Balance in Treasury	7,160 14	
		$9,729 49
Total debt of the town Dec. 31, 1893		$64,500 00
Deduct Assets		9,729 49
		$54,770 51

Respectfully submitted,

J. Q. A. LOTHROP,
PHILANDER BATES,
CALEB F. NICHOLS,
Selectmen of Cohasset.

ESTIMATES.

Amounts Estimated by the Selectmen required to meet the Expenses of the Town for the Ensuing Year.

For Payment of Debt	$6,400 00
Payment of Interest	3,500 00
Support of Schools	12,500 00
Support and Relief of Poor	5,000 00
Highways and Sidewalks	6,000 00
Electric Lights	5,000 00
Cohasset and Hingham Water Co.'s	1,950 00
Soldiers' and Sailors' Relief	600 00
Town Officers	1,600 00
Watering Streets	1,200 00
Incidental Expenses	1,000 00
Fire Department	600 00
Removing Snow	1,000 00
Public Library	700 00
Printing	300 00
Military Aid	200 00
Town Hall	200 00
G. A. R. Post	100 00
	$47,850 00

The amount to be raised by taxation may be determined at the Annual Meeting

TABLE OF AGGREGATES.

Valuation of Real Estate, 1892	$2,382,960 00
Valuation of Personal Estate, 1892	1,688,447 00
Total Valuation of 1892	$4,071,407 00
Valuation of Real Estate, 1893	$2,575,833 00
Valuation of Personal Estate, 1893	1,720,133 00
Total Valuation of 1893	$4,295,966 00
Increase of Real Estate, 1893	$192,873 00
Increase of Personal Estate, 1893	31,686 00
Total increase in 1893	$224,559 00
Number of Polls, 1893, Males	632
" " " " Females	19
State Tax, 1893	$5,475 00
County Tax, 1893	4,685 21
Town Grant, 1893	29,900 00
Overlayings, 1893	305 35
Total Tax, 1893	40,365 56
Rate per cent. on $1,000	9 10
Number of Dwellings assessed, 1893	590
" " Acres " "	5942
" " Persons " "	1020
" " " on property, 1893	733
" " " poll tax "	287
" Horses "	408
" Cows "	324
" Neat Cattle "	76
" Swine "	7

LIST OF JURORS

Drawn During the Year Ending December 31, 1893.

February,	Elmer E. Bates,	Supreme Jud'l Court.
March 22,	C. James Pratt,	Grand Juror.
" "	Cyrus H. Bates,	Superior Court.
" "	George W. Beal,	" "
April 22,	A. Bradford Litchfield,	" "
Sept. 1,	Abraham J. Antone,	" "
" 23,	James Pettee,	" "
Nov. 22,	Charles P. Bourne,	" "
" "	J. Loring Litchfield,	" "
" "	James S. Beal,	" "
Dec. 22,	Spencer H. Stoughton,	" "

LIST OF JURORS

To be Revised and Accepted by the Town at the Annual Meeting held March 5, 1894.

Edwin Bates,
Ezra Brown,
John W. Bates,
Charles F. Bennett,
Thomas D. Blossom,
Samuel P. Bates,
Alfred Beal,
Herbert O. Beal,
Charles C. Coolidge,
Morton S. Crehore,
Robert L. Curtis,
Thomas W. Doyle,
Leander W. Groce,
Charles Harris,
George O. Higgins,
Henry E. Brennock,
William E. Crocker,
Wallace Willcutt,
John W. Hunt,
Ezekiel L. James,
Winthrop Knight,
Waldo C. Locke,
George S. Munroe,
Levi L. Nichols,
George W. Pratt,
John L. Pratt,
Charles J. Priest,
John Roche, Jr.,
William H. Reed,
George D. Silsbee,
Alden B. Stoddard,
William W. Studley,
Willie F. Thayer,
Israel C. Vinal,
Samuel L. Williams,
Levi L. Worrick.

REPORT

OF THE

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1893.

Paid George W. Tinkham, salary	$500 00
" " " sundry bills paid	35 87
C. F. B. Tilden, carriage, feed, etc.	16 45
J. M. Cutting, veterinary surgeon	12 00
J. C. Howe, bread	3 00
Benj. F. Evans, undertaker	50 00
H. L. Brown, groceries	180 61
Cohasset Clothing Co.	59 15
Dr. O. H. Howe, medical attendance	6 00
Mass. Ploughman	4 00
Joseph St. John, groceries	98 72
C. F. Nichols, "	142 15
Wm. F. Thayer & Son, meat	204 68
E. E. Wentworth, smithing	16 60
Lincoln Bros., coal	82 34
H. W. Souther, Boston Globe	6 00
M. B. Stetson & Co., groceries, etc.	265 11
Wallace Willcutt, "	35 66
P. Bates, shoes and boots	23 20
Bela Stoddard, mason	9 00
Gross & Nichols, grain and groceries	227 16
F. W. Browne, drugs	34 05
S. D. Tower, cushions	1 50
A. C. Bates, tinware, etc.	39 75
Thomas Roche, smithing	27 51
C. F. Tilden, "	7 50
A. E. Tilden, carriage hire	44 00
Wm. O. Souther, ice	28 88
Tower, Bro. & Co., lumber, etc.	60 01
Bourne & Nickerson, meat	131 78
Dr. C. B. Bridgham, medical attendance	6 00
Frances H. Nichols, dry goods	58 06
D. P. Sylvester, fish, etc.	64 82
Amount carried forward	$2,481 56

Amount brought forward	$2,481 56	
Paid J. E. Gracia, "	3 75	
Joseph Breck & Son, plow, seeds, etc.	15 25	
Ladder Co., ladders	5 76	
J. A. Torrey, soap	4 33	
Thomas Loney, swill	8 00	
W. H. Beal, repairs, etc.	20 70	
S. B. Totman, bread	8 75	
Samuel Nichols, plants	5 95	
Howe & French, disinfectants	6 22	
Samuel James, veal	3 67	
W. W. Thomas, butchering, etc.	4 25	
Seaverns & Spear, bedding, etc.	18 25	
Overseers' services	90 00	
		$2,676 44

AMOUNT RECEIVED FROM SALES AND INCOME.

Rec'd from A. H. Tower, trustee for J. J. Lothrop	$180 00	
" Elmer E. Bates, milk	131 64	
" Samuel James, labor and eggs	8 93	
" Otis V. Barnes, butter	3 60	
" Charles Tyrer, potatoes	1 50	
" C. F. Nichols, "	1 50	
" J. Q. A. Lothrop, "	1 50	
" P. Bates, "	15 00	
" B. T. Morse, "	6 00	
" Sundry sales	9 55	
" Sale of pigs	26 50	
" B. F. Morse, turnips	1 00	
" Gross & Nichols, eggs	6 60	
" Superintendent of Streets	103 70	
" George W. White, Morey Estate	100 00	
" Board of William F. Harris	30 00	
" Other sources	50 00	
" M. B. Stetson & Co.	4 40	
" Thomas Roche	6 00	
" Board of Solomon J. Hayden	15 00	
" Manuel Silva, 2d, interest	34 50	
" Bourne & Nickerson	6 50	
" Ezekiel L. James	7 60	
		$751 02

Debit brought forward	$2,676 44	
Credit " "	751 02	
Almshouse debtor to balance		$1,925 42

The following persons have been inmates of the almshouse during the year 1893: —

Elizabeth Hudson.	William Hayden.
Jane B. Lambert.	William C. Hayden.
Augusta Silva.	Solomon J. Hayden.
Antone George.	Philip Sullivan.
John L. Morey.	William F. Harris.

John J. Lothrop, boarder.

Support of Persons in Hospitals.

Paid Taunton Lunatic Hospital: —		
Jane C. White	$169 46	
Joanna Colbrith	169 46	
Paid Worcester Insane Asylum: —		
Elizabeth J. Dady	169 45	
Julia Macomber	169 48	
Paid State of Massachusetts: —		
George B. Williams	146 00	
		$823 85

Partial Support of Persons outside of Almshouse.

John E. Groce.

Paid orders on Treasurer		$156 00

Southward Pratt.

Paid orders on Treasurer	$96 00	
J. Q. A. Lothrop, agent, rent	48 00	
		$144 00

Sabra W. Clark.

Paid orders on Treasurer	$96 00	
Dr. C. B. Bridgham	1 00	
		$97 00

Emma Barnes and family.

Paid orders on Treasurer		$60 00

Mary McGrath and child.

Paid orders on Treasurer	$60 00	
P. Bates, boots	5 68	
Dr. C. B. Bridgham, medical attendance	17 50	
B. F. Evans, undertaker	12 00	
		$95 18

Joseph J. Silva and family.

Paid Town of Weymouth		$88 19

Mabel Ainslie.

Paid City of Boston		$156 43

Caroline Silva.

Paid Dr. C. B. Bridgham, medical attendance			$55 00

Joseph E. Smith and family.

Paid Aaron Pratt, wood	$ 5 00		
Lot W. Bates, rent	40 00		
H. L. Brown, groceries	179 93		
Cohasset Clothing Co.	13 00		
P. Bates, boots	5 10		
F. W. Browne, medicine	50		
Edwin Bates, wood	2 50		
Tower, Bro. & Co., coal	17 50		
Dr. C. B. Bridgham, medical attendance	10 00		
			$273 53

Henry L. Bates and family.

Paid Town of Norwell, supplies	$139 78		
R. W. Killam, "	83 50		
John S. Brooks "	26 00		
P. Bates, boots	10 05		
			$259 33

Daniel Desmond and family.

Paid orders on Treasurer	$50 00		
Dr. O. H. Howe, medical attendance	52 25		
J. Q. A. Lothrop, agent, rent	72 00		
			$174 25

Rebecca Litchfield.

Paid T. W. Whitcomb, rent	$36 00		
" " wood,	8 63		
H. L. Brown, supplies	45 35		
Dr. O. H. Howe, medical attendance	3 00		
Lincoln Bros., coal	18 00		
			$110 98

William H. Litchfield and family.

Paid Seaverns & Spear, supplies	$47 40		
H. E. Webb, "	77 25		
Lincoln Bros., coal and wood	64 50		
P. Bates, boots	4 10		
Dr. O. H. Howe, medical attendance	27 00		
			$220 25

James F. Mullen and family.

Paid Dr. Henry King, medical attendance	$12 50		
A. B. Litchfield, burying child	5 00		
H. L. Brown, supplies	39 48		
Lincoln Bros., coal	14 06		
			$71 04

Mrs. Morris, Mrs. Burbank and child.

Paid Lot W. Bates, rent	$40 00		
H. L. Brown, supplies	147 28		
Lincoln Bros., coal	8 00		
Tower, Bro. & Co., coal	19 01		
Dr. O. H. Howe, medical attendance	9 50		
Order on Treasurer	15 00		
Edwin Bates, wood	21 50		
Samuel E. Pratt, milk	22 00		
Bourne & Nickerson, meat	28 06		
		$310	35

Antone Vargos, Jr., and family.

Paid Lincoln Bros., coal		$8	25

Abner N. Bates and family.

Paid Lot W. Bates, rent	$13 33		
H. L. Brown, supplies	23 56		
W. F. Thayer & Son, meat	3 00		
Tower, Bro. & Co., coal	4 75		
		$44	64

Mrs. Frank Antone.

Paid Dr. C. B. Bridgham, medical attendance		$8	00

Lois A. Ney and family.

Paid H. L. Brown, supplies	$112 68		
Lincoln Bros., coal	8 00		
Tower, Bro. & Co., coal	17 25		
Aaron Pratt, rent	48 00		
		$185	93

Carrie A. Litchfield.

Paid orders on Treasurer	$25 00		
Dr. O. H. Howe, medical attendance	20 00		
Dr. J. B. Harvey, " "	6 00		
S. B. Taylor, nursing	35 00		
		$86	00

Mary Martin.

Pain John J. Ferriera, rent	$40 00		
Dr. O. H. Howe, medical attendance	7 00		
C. F. Nichols, supplies	5 19		
P. Bates, boots	1 50		
		$53	69

Mary Henry and family.

Paid Dr. O. H. Howe, medical attendance		$4	25

Mary Kent.

Paid City of Boston, supplies		$9	26

Clarence K. Antone.

Paid City of Boston, supplies		$27	00

Mrs. Scott and family.		
Paid, H. L. Brown, supplies		$6 90
Rose Andrews and Mary I. Violante.		
Paid H. L. Brown, supplies		$48 86
James W. Holland and family.		
Paid orders on Treasurer	$35 00	
Tower, Bro. & Co., coal	3 50	
		$38 50
Richard Cadden and family.		
Paid Tower, Bro. & Co., coal		$9 00
James St. John and family.		
Paid Heirs J. O. Lawrence, rent	$40 00	
Tower, Bro. & Co., coal and groceries	19 67	
		$59 67
Paid J. Q. A. Lothrop, services and expenses	$70 79	
Philander Bates, " " "	35 00	
Caleb F. Nichols, " " "	38 50	
		$144 29

AMOUNT TO BE REIMBURSED TO THE TOWN.

Town of Weymouth	$71 04	
" Hingham	60 00	
" Provincetown	4 25	
City of Boston	55 76	
Philander Bates, guardian of Wm. Kilburn	319 75	
Joseph S. Enos, interest	37 20	
Joseph E. Gracia, interest	6 00	
For family of Wm. H. Litchfield	300 00	
		$854 00
Paid Almshouse account	$2,676 44	
" Outdoor relief	3,829 62	
		$6,506 06
Amount of credit, Almshouse	$751 02	
" " " Outdoor	854 00	
		$1,605 02
Amount of Almshouse and Outdoor Expense	$6,506 06	
" " " " " Credit	1,605 02	
Total cost of Poor		$4,901 04

Respectfully submitted,

J. Q. A. LOTHROP,
PHILANDER BATES,
CALEB F. NICHOLS,
Overseers of Poor of Cohasset.

REPORT

OF

THE TOWN TREASURER,

TOGETHER WITH

THE REPORTS OF THE LIBRARIAN AND TREASURER OF THE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

AND THE

REPORT OF THE AUDITOR.

Dr. TOWN OF COHASSET, in account

1893–1894.

To paid Selectmen's orders for the current year		$34,290 13
State and Military Aid,	"	717 00
Abatement of Taxes,	"	399 14
School Appropriation,	"	12,900 00
Other items for School acct.	"	254 02
Commonwealth of Massachusetts Tax, 1893		5,475 00
County of Norfolk Tax, 1893		4,685 21
Osgood Schoolhouse, Note due, 1893		3,000 00
Martha T. Bates, Demand Note		1,000 00
A. H. Tower, Trustee Lothrop Fund		3,700 00
Cohasset Savings Bank, Demand Notes, 1891		24,000 00
" " " 1892		5,000 00
" " hired money, 1893		16,500 00
Boston National Bank, " 1893		8,000 00
Interest on Town's Notes		3,772 16
		$123,692 66
Balance in Treasury, to credit new account		$7,160 14
		$130,852 80

COHASSET, January, 1894.

with ABRAHAM H. TOWER, Treasurer. Cr.

1893–1894.

By balance in Treasury, from former account	$5,596 94
Received Corporation Tax, 1892, additional	1,205 28
Corporation Tax, 1893	15,709 79
National Bank Tax, 1893	2,493 17
State and Military Aid, 1893	613 00
State Pauper account	65 88
Norfolk County Dog Licenses, 1892	213 62
Town of Easton, supplies, 1892	344 05
" " Weymouth, " 1892	56 98
" " Norwell " 1893	20 00
City of Boston, " 1893	6 90
From Kilburn Estate, additional	319 75
" George W. White, Morey Estate	100 00
Louis N. Lincoln, income, Town Hall	40 00
Pratt, Lincoln & Beal, auction license fees	6 00
East Norfolk District Court, fines, fees, etc.	84 75
Superintendent of Streets for material sold	14 70
Joseph S. Enos, interest on Deed	55 80
Manuel Silvia, 2d interest on Deed	34 50
Joseph E. Grassia, " " "	6 00
Interest on Deposits and Delinquent Taxes	196 23
Interest on Ripley Fund, 1893	42 94
A. H. Tower, Trustee, almshouse account 1893	180 00
S. J. Hayden, board at almshouse	15 00
Sundry Persons, for sales at almshouse	333 92
" " from other sources	350 00
William Mulvey, pasture rent	30 00
Charles P, Bourne, new cemetery loan	1,000 00
Cohasset Savings Bank, new cemetery loan	2,500 00
" " " hired money, 1893	16,500 00
Boston National Bank, " 1893	8,000 00
Gay & Stanwood, funded loan	34,000 00
" " premium on funded loan	340 00
Assessor's Tax List, 1893	40,377 60
	$130,852 80

ABRAHAM H. TOWER,
Treasurer.

Dr. COHASSET FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY in account with A. H. TOWER, Treasurer. **Cr.**

1893–1894.		1893–1894.	
To paid Estes & Lauriat for books	$36 60	By balance from previous account	$61 09
" magazine subscrip.	15 43	Town's appropriation, 1893	700 00
A. H. Roffe & Co., periodicals	12 95	Ladies' Charitable Society, rent of room	25 00
History of Hingham, and express	5 25	Librarian's receipts	23 67
Binding of magazines, etc.	73 85		
Cohasset Electric Co., fixtures	20 00		
" " " lights	60 00		
Pratt Brothers, printing	3 00		
Wm. T. Tilden, repairs	1 50		
Chas. V. Antoine "	1 75		
Allen C. Bates "	8 07		
Tower, Bro. & Co., fuel	90 32		
Librarian's payments	19 67		
" salary	350 00		
Janitor's salary	100 00		
Balance in treasury to new account	11 37		
	$809 76		$809 76

A. H. TOWER, *Treasurer.*

COHASSET, January, 1894.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

COHASSET FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

The library opened every library day of the year with the exception of three holidays. In that time, the number of books issued was 8,342; the largest delivery being on March 11, of 133 books and magazines, and the smallest on June 27, of 12 books and magazines.

Number of books added the past year: by donation, 3 volumes; by purchase, 9 volumes; by binding magazines, 31 volumes; from the State and Government, 24 volumes and 27 pamphlets Entire number in the library, including pamphlets, 5,144.

Classification of reading the past year:

History and Biography	279
Travels and Geography	250
Science and Art	45
Literature and Poetry	105
Religion	42
Agriculture	26
Fiction	6,328
Magazines	1,267
	8,342

SARAH B. COLLIER, *Librarian.*

COHASSET, January, 1894.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

I have examined the several financial accounts of Selectmen, Treasurer, School Committee, Fire Engineers, and Superintendent of Streets, and find the receipts and expenditures for the year to be as follows: —

Balance from last year	$ 5,596 94	
Sundry receipts	22,878 26	
Hired money	62,000 00	
Tax list	40,377 60	
		$130,852 80

Amount of Selectmen's orders	$58,720 50	
Paid hired money	61,200 00	
" interest	3,772 16	
Balance in cash and taxes	7,160 14	
		$130,852 80

CALEB LOTHROP, *Auditor.*

COHASSET, January 31, 1894.

REPORT

OF

THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

TEACHERS IN THE SCHOOLS.

High School	C. F. Jacobs.
"	Miss Annie N. Keene.
"	" Caroline Hardwick.
Osgood School	" Lottie A. Hood.
"	" Harriet J. Nichols.
"	" Annie A. Souther.
"	" Lizzie C. Bates.
"	" Priscilla L. Collier.
"	" Sarah E. Fox.
"	" Myra L. Beal.
North Primary	" Susie L. Stoddard.
King Street	" May Towne.
Beechwoods	" Adelaide L. Stevens.
Jerusalem	" Annie E. Fox.
Drawing	" M. A. Pearson.
Music	A. E. Bradford.
Superintendent of Schools	Elmer L. Curtiss.

GRADUATES FROM THE HIGH SCHOOL,

June, 1893.

Julia Marcia Beal.
Catharine Ellen Dalton.
Sarah Florence James.
Emily Victoria Leonard.
Martha Maria Lincoln.
Emma Jane Reed.
Oriana Augusta Souther.
Elizabeth Ella Sweeney.
Martha Ethel Tilden.
Bessie Lord Tower.
Charlotte Sophronia Tower.
John Wesley MacCormack.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

FOR THE YEAR 1893.

To the citizens of the Town of Cohasset, the School Committee respectfully submit their annual report.

There have been no unusual outlays for repairs on any of the school buildings during the year, it being the policy of the committee to prevent the buildings, by constant inspection, from falling into a condition requiring such outlays.

It was mentioned in the last annual report of this committee, that the transfer of the Beechwood Grammar School to the Osgood School had necessitated the addition of another room to the Grammar grades in the latter school. The room thus taken had been in use as a recitation room for certain classes in the High School, which classes were compelled by this change to recite in the upper hall. During the winter of 1892–'93 much discomfort was experienced through the failure to keep this hall warm enough for recitations without depriving the rooms below of proper heat and ventilation.

A fair trial of one year has demonstrated the impossibility of doing this successfully, and it has been decided to add a hot water heater to the heating apparatus now in use in this building to furnish the additional heat required for this room. This heater has been put in during the Christmas vacation, at a cost of $350, which will be included in the appropriation for the coming year. It would be proper to add, that when the building was planned it was supposed that this hall would be in use only when the recitation rooms were vacant, hence no fault can be found with the heating system, for its failure to heat a room which it was not originally calculated to heat.

When the Fuller-Warren system was adopted for heating the Osgood School, the company furnishing the system gave its guarantee to keep all the rooms in the building at a temperature of 68° during the coldest weather. Failing to do this in regard to the room on the northeast corner of the building occupied by the second Primary grade, it has, during the Christmas vacation, added to the heating capacity of one of the furnaces, and this, it is expected, will keep the room up to the required temperature.

At the close of the school year in June, Mr. Louis P. Nash, who had served the town as Superintendent of Schools for the past five years, resigned his position to accept the superintendency of the

schools of Gardner, Mass. We believe that much of the improvement manifested in our schools of late is due to the earnest and conscientious work bestowed upon them by Mr. Nash. The enthusiasm which he displayed in his work he imparted to teachers and scholars, and to this enthusiasm was added a knowledge of the best methods in teaching and a disposition, to keep abreast of the times in educational matters. His place was filled by the appointment of Mr. Elmer H. Curtiss, formerly Superintendent of Schools for the district of Sandwich, Bourne and Mashpee. Mr. Curtiss has had training as a college and normal school student, and experience as a teacher and superintendent, which will, without doubt, enable him not only to maintain our schools in their old position, but to advance them in rank.

Miss Gertrude M. Gleason, who had served for two years as assistant teacher of the High School, also resigned her position in June to pursue her studies at Harvard. Miss Gleason had been a successful teacher, and her desire to perfect herself in her calling by the expenditure of so much time and money is commendable. Miss Martha P. Bates was advanced from the Grammar grade to take her place; Miss Lottie A. Hood was transferred from the King Street School to Miss Bates' room; and Miss May E. Towne was engaged as teacher of the King Street School. Early in the fall term Miss Bates' health gave out and she was granted a year's vacation, and Miss Carrie T. Hardwick, of Quincy, a graduate of Thayer Academy and Wellesley College, was engaged for one year.

To support our schools for the year 1894 will require an expenditure —

For Teachers', Superintendents', and Janitors' Salaries,	$8,850 00
Conveying	1,600 00
Supplies	600 00
Fuel	800 00
Heater for Osgood School	350 00
Repairs and Incidentals	650 00
	$12,850 00

This seems large in comparison with the expenditure of twenty, or even ten years ago, but we do not see how the amount can be reduced materially without impairing the efficiency of our schools.

It is the aim of your committee, and we feel that it is the desire of the citizens of Cohasset, that our schools shall be of such excellence that none of our residents may be compelled to take up their residence, or to send their children elsewhere to obtain for them a better education than our schools afford, but rather that our school system shall be the means of retaining in Cohasset its old residents and attracting to it others.

To keep our schools up to this standard will require your co-operation, not only in furnishing the requisite financial support,

but in upholding and strengthening the hands of teachers, superintendent, and committee.

For a detailed report of the work done in the schools, we would refer you to the subjoined report from the Superintendent of Schools, in which are embodied the reports of the supervisors of music and drawing, and the principal of the evening school.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD F. RIPLEY,
E. P. COLLIER,
JOSEPH S. BIGELOW,
AMOS A. LAWRENCE,
LOUIS T. CUSHING,
CYRUS H. BATES.

COHASSET, January 8, 1894.

At a meeting of the School Committee held on this date the following resolutions were adopted :

Whereas Mr. Edward F. Ripley has resigned from this committee, of which he has been a member for seven years, all of which time he served the Board as its chairman, and for six years as its treasurer, and

Whereas we feel that the services which he has rendered the schools, and through them the town, should receive some formal recognition, therefore be it

Resolved, That in his resignation we lose a genial associate, a courteous and impartial presiding officer, an accurate and trustworthy treasurer, and a fellow member of the Board who bore more than his share of its labors.

In the early years of his service, when the Committee was without the assistance of a Superintendent of Schools, he was called upon to perform an amount of labor in the re-organization of the schools seldom performed by committee-men in these days, but the call was met with diligence and conscientiousness. He was untiring in his efforts to raise the standard of teaching in the Cohasset schools, and instrumental in securing for the teachers better pay. He was an earnest advocate of a central school, and a valuable member of the building committee.

His labors as a member of the Cohasset School Committee have had an influence on the schools of our town which will be felt long after his retirement from their management.

E. P. COLLIER,
Secretary.

TOWN OF COHASSET, in account with THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

1893. *Debit.*

TEACHERS.

Osgood School,	C. F. Jacobs, Principal .	$1,435 00	
"	(High) Miss Gertrude M. Gleason, Assistant	312 50	
"	" Miss Mattie P. Bates, Asst.,	25 00	
"	" Miss Carrie T. Hardwick, "	162 50	
"	" Miss Annie N. Keene, "	500 00	
"	Miss Mattie P. Bates, 8th grade .	243 50	
"	Miss Lottie A. Hood, " . .	150 00	
"	Miss Harriet J. Nichols, 7th grade .	393 50	
"	Miss Annie A. Souther, 5th and 6th grade	393 50	
"	Miss Lizzie C. Bates, 3d and 4th grade,	393 50	
"	Miss Lilla L. Collier, 2d grade . .	393 50	
"	Miss Sarah E. Fox, 1st grade . .	393 50	
No. Primary,	Miss Susie L. Stoddard . . .	393 50	
Jerusalem,	Miss Annie Fox	393 50	
Beechwood,	Miss Adelaide L. Stevens . . .	393 50	
King Street,	Miss Lottie A. Hood	243 50	
"	Miss May E. Towne	150 00	
Osgood School,	Miss Myra L. Beal, gen'l assistant,	380 00	
No. Primary,	Miss L. Emma Nichols, substitute .	10 00	
			$6,760 00

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

Louis P. Nash, Jan. 1 to July 1	$390 00	
Elmer L. Curtiss, Sept. 1 to Jan. 1	240 00	
		$630 00

SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC.

A. E. Bradford	$325 00	
		$325 00

SPECIAL TEACHER OF DRAWING.

Miss M. A. Pearson	$270 00	
		$270 00

JANITORS.

No. Primary,	Levi Tower	$13 00	
"	Norman S. Cann	4 00	
"	George L. Smith	19 00	
Beechwood,	A. Bradford Litchfield . . .	41 00	
King Street,	Miss Mary James	30 75	
Jerusalem,	Teacher	30 75	
Osgood School,	L. Webster Bates	600 00	
			$738 50

CLEANING.

Beechwood Primary,	A. B. Litchfield, Aug. and Dec.	$12 00	
"	J. W. Bates, vault . . .	3 00	
Jerusalem School,	Mrs. E. Beal	8 00	
"	S. J. Hayden, vault . . .	3 00	
King Street School,	Mrs. Sarah McCormick . .	5 00	
"	S. J. Hayden, vault . . .	2 50	
North Primary,	Mrs. Stephen Reilley, Dec. '92,	3 00	
"	" " " Aug. and Dec. '93	11 00	
"	S. J. Hayden, vault . . .	3 00	
			$50 50

FUEL.

Osgood School,	George F. Welch, coal . .	$359 31	
"	Tower Bros. & Co., " . .	174 14	
"	Lincoln Bros., coal and wood .	197 77	
North Primary,	" " " " " .	11 25	
Jerusalem School,	" " " " " .	29 63	
"	George E. Davis, wood . .	5 00	
Beechwood Primary,	Tower Bros. & Co., coal and wood	34 67	
			$811 77

CONVEYING PUPILS.

Jerusalem District	Old Colony R. R. . . .	$173 16	
"	Franklin Beal, Jan. Feb. and March	68 75	
King Street District,	A. E. Tilden, Jan., Feb. and March	75 00	
South Primary District,	A. E. Tilden . . .	300 25	
Beechwood District,	"	926 86	
"	" (bill Dec. 1892),	207 81	
"	" (Pratt, Pratt & Lincoln, 1891) . . .	68 91	
North End District,	C. F. B. Tilden, Jan., Feb. and March . . .	57 00	
Amount carried forward		$1,877 74	

Amount brought forward		$1,877 74	
Jerusalem Road,	C. F. B. Tilden, Jan., Feb. and March . . .	38 00	
			$1,915 74

REPAIRS, SUPPLIES, ETC.

Osgood School,	C. F. B. Tilden, dressing for lawn	$22 00	
"	F. W. Browne, supplies . .	10 20	
"	W. E. Crocker, carpentering .	9 50	
"	Brigham Electric Co., repairs .	13 64	
"	W. W. Wade, tuning piano .	5 00	
"	Luther Merrill, four keys .	1 00	
"	S. D. Tower, lining blackboards	5 00	
"	D. W. Pratt, painting . .	27 08	
"	Cohasset Electric Co., lighting,	60 00	
"	Tower Bros. & Co., supplies .	21 43	
"	Chas. F. Tilden, repairs and supplies	3 00	
"	Allen C. Bates, supplies . .	17 76	
			$195 61
Jerusalem School,	H. O. Beale, repairs . .	9 15	
"	C. E. West, supplies . .	4 18	
"	S. H. Stoughton, repairs, Dec., 1892	60 20	
			$73 53
King Street School,	Arthur S. Bates, repairs . .	1 00	
"	Fred G. James, labor . .	3 00	
"	Allen C. Bates, repairs and supplies	10 36	
			$14 36
Beechwood Primary,	A. B. Litchfield, repairs . .	6 25	
"	Mrs. C. H. Wood, use of well,	1 00	
"	Allen C. Bates, supplies . .	1 35	
			$8 60
North Primary,	H. O. Beale, repairs . . .	1 96	
"	Allen C. Bates, repairs and supplies	6 48	
			$8 44
			$300 54

BOOKS AND STATIONERY.

American Book Company	$98 77
J. L. Hammett	28 92
Ginn & Co.	39 02
Geo. S. Perry & Co.	313 14
Amount carried forward	$479 85

Amount brought forward	$479 85	
Silver, Burdett & Co.	18 66	
Franklin Educational Co.	70 71	
Houghton, Mifflin & Co.	44 20	
Carl Schœnhof	20 94	
Willard Small	17 34	
Sundry Bills	67 28	
		$718 98

MISCELLANEOUS.

Beal's Express	$21 65	
C. F. B. Tilden, carriage hire, Supt.	68 26	
Edward F. Ripley, salary as Treasurer	50 00	
E. P. Collier, salary as Secretary	25 00	
A. B. Litchfield, truant officer	10 00	
A. H. Prouty, " "	2 00	
L. Webster Bates " "	17 50	
A. T. Bliss & Co., printing	8 50	
A. Mudge & Son, "	10 75	
Boston Bank Note and L. Co., diplomas	24 00	
Burdett Business College, "	9 50	
Assessors of Cohasset, school census	9 00	
G. D. Damon, graduates' collation	24 00	
Mary R. Cushing, bouquets for graduates	12 00	
L. W. Lincoln, care of hall	5 00	
		$297 16

EVENING SCHOOL.

C. F. Jacobs, teaching	$180 00	
L. W. Bates, "	58 50	
" " care of room	10 00	
Cohasset Electric Co., lighting	25 00	
		$273 50

RECAPITULATION.

Paid Teachers and substitute	$6,760 00	
" Superintendent of Schools	630 00	
" Supervisor of Music	325 00	
" Special Teacher of Drawing	270 00	
" Janitors	738 50	
" for cleaning	50 50	
" " fuel	811 77	
" " Conveying Pupils	1,915 74	
" " Repairs and Supplies	300 54	
" " Books and Stationery	718 98	
" " Miscellaneous	297 16	
" " Evening School	273 50	
Unexpended Balance, Jan. 1, 1894	79 50	
		$13,171 19

1893.	*Credit.*	
By balance from last year	$17 17	
Amount of School Appropriation . . .	12,900 00	
Received from Dog Licenses	213 62	
" " Ripley Fund (interest) . . .	40 40	
		$13,171 19

EDWARD F. RIPLEY,
Treasurer School Committee.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

To the School Committee of Cohasset: —

In presenting this report, I wish to outline briefly the results of my observations during my four months of service in your schools. My policy has been to study your schools, their virtues and weaknesses, attempting no changes until I felt changes were needed. The factors entering into school work are so numerous and so variable, that to plan one must know the conditions. What might be a good plan for one town or school might be a poor one for another. Things taken for granted here because they are true elsewhere might prove of life-long injury to many boys and girls; and, while the human mind acts according to certain well-known laws, the home training, the hereditary traits, the very food the pupils eat, have so much to do in determining mental grasp, that I feel it would have been more than unwise for me to attempt to bring affairs to my standard of measurement, until I knew just how near that standard affairs were at present. I have suggested some few changes already, but they are of such a nature that they rather supplement than supplant.

It is not what a child "has been through" that I would study or call your attention to, but I would call your attention to the manner in which the work in any grade is being done. If a child is being taught *independence*, he is getting something from his school; if, however, the pupil gains no additional power, if he is unable to apply his knowledge out of school, something is wrong, and criticisms upon the schools and their work are just. It is true that many criticisms are made that are unjust, for many believe that a boy or girl just out of school should be able to step into a business house or into a shop of any kind and pick up the work as though he had been in training for that alone. It is not, cannot

be, the province of the school to so train the child. All that can be expected, and this expectation the school should fulfil, is that its graduates should have the power to quickly adapt themselves to new conditions, to see and to think. Our business men have a right to demand legible writing, and accuracy and rapidity in the simple operations in arithmetic, but even these accomplishments are of inferior value when compared with the ability to steadily apply one's powers to the work in hand. If the school has one mission to fulfil above all others, and one which, if accomplished, will prepare for all walks of life, it is the formation of the habit to do hard work. It is a lesson that is not often successfully taught either at home or at school. Happy is that school that is in charge of a teacher who insists upon work for its own sake. At times it may seem that her spirit is one of petty nagging, but the results of her work are more lasting and valuable than that of her who kindly overlooks little digressions.

Buildings.

The *Osgood School* is in good condition. The increase in the number of pupils has forced the use of the large hall for a recitation room. As this was not the original intention, it has necessitated some changes in the matter of heating.

The other school buildings are not in as attractive condition as they should be. I would call attention to the dingy appearance of the rooms. They sadly need some brightening, and I would recommend that the interiors of the *North School* and of the *Beechwoods School* be given a coat of light paint. At present the rooms are dark and the effect is depressing upon the minds of little children.

Teachers.

Our teaching corps is faithful, and, I find, are willing, yes, anxious, to work and improve. They attend the teachers' meetings regularly. While all may not be doing the best work, and some may be open to criticism, I am so impressed with their spirit that I am willing to vouch for them that their defects, which they know better than any outsider, will, slowly it may be, be remedied.

Arithmetic.

The work in arithmetic is not all that it should be. There is a lack of quick, accurate work, even when small numbers are used. I feel that this is due to too much abstract work in the lower grades, and the attempt to "go through" the arithmetic, covering all subjects. There are many subjects in the book that can be omitted with advantage, both to practical knowledge — for in many cases the book methods are not used in business — and to a

gain in power. Too much time is spent upon arithmetic for the results obtained. I believe that eight years' work is ample to give all that is needed of practical arithmetic, including business forms and simple personal accounts. But to gain this end and to secure the mental training needed, fewer processes must be attempted.

Language.

The work in language is above the average, but I feel that the training has been forced a little to the background for the practical. Our pupils do not know why one form is correct and another is incorrect. For this reason I have called for some work in technical grammar, which, I believe, will aid the work now being done.

History.

The methods in history are to be commended.

Geography.

The subject of geography has been attracting much attention from educators lately. It is generally well taught, yet the results are unsatisfactory. The work is such that there is little connection between the work of the different grades. Political geography, which receives so large a share of the attention, is a series of disconnected facts. The teaching in one grade makes comparatively little use of that of the previous grades. In my attempts to remedy this, I have been led to suggest a complete change in the method of dealing with the subject. I have presented the new course in full as an appendix to this report. The course here presented is different from any course I have been able to find, but I believe it will stand the test of examination from the educational standpoint. I will say that there is nothing original in the conception. I have simply applied it to grammar school geography. For the idea I am indebted to Carl Ritter's works, especially to his *Comparative Geography*, and to the valuable works on geography issued by Edward Standford, London.

Writing and Spelling.

The work in these branches is always open to criticism. The writing may not be equal to that of other towns in the State, but it must be remembered that we have worked under adverse circumstances in matters of grading. This has been improved, so in the course of time the penmanship should improve. The spelling is not unusually poor. I have had my attention called to spelling by several of our citizens. I believe it is safe to say that, considering the age and training of our pupils, the average spelling

is as good as can be expected. There is probably no subject in which our teachers work harder and in which results are slower in coming than this.

Attendance.

The best teachers, provided with all the apparatus they may be able to use, and following the best methods, will be seriously hampered in their work unless the homes do their part in enforcing good attendance. There are many cases of absenteeism in our town and tardiness is of frequent occurrence. The teacher, it is true, can do something to remedy this; but usually she is powerless, and often the children are not at fault. The bad habits thus engendered are apt to cling throughout life and remain a constant obstacle to success. There are few virtues more appreciated by business men than punctuality.

Teachers' Meetings.

Since last September I have held teachers' meetings to consider the following subjects: *Plan of Term's Work* and *School Government; Writing; The Recitation; Language; Geography.* Miss Pearson, the drawing teacher, has held several meetings to consider that subject with the teachers. The teachers have been faithful in their attendance. When any have been absent it has been with good reason.

Memory Gems.

Formal moral instruction in the schools is usually time wasted, yet this work cannot, must not, be omitted. Next to seizing the opportunity as it arises for a lesson in good manners and in moral conduct, stand simple stories, from which the children will draw their own lesson, and memory gems. The influence of bits of good poetry learned in childhood lasts throughout life. Many noted men have mentioned the influence upon their lives of poetry thus learned. To the end of securing the best of these little gems, I have printed each term a sheet of such poems and distributed among the pupils.

Discipline.

"The schools should teach the duty of obedience to law by example as well as precept, and this can only be done by uniformly enforcing obedience to the laws that may be enacted for the government of pupils." "The first immediate end of punishment in school is to *reform the wrongdoer.*" I believe that a child should be punished by the teacher when the reformation can be thus secured, but when the acts of any boy or girl of a reasonable

age amount to open and continued insubordination, suspension should be the resort of the teacher, and the future behavior of the child should thus be placed upon the parents. I do believe, however, that unless there is gross immorality, suspension is inexcusable, except for insubordination.

Respectfully submitted,

ELMER L. CURTISS.

REPORT OF TEACHER OF MUSIC.

To the Superintendent of Schools:—

This is my fifth annual report as special teacher of music in the schools of Cohasset. Previous to the beginning of my work here, there had been no attempt at systematic instruction in singing, and the idea of attempting to teach music to all the pupils was looked upon by some as an experiment. I think that it is now conceded by all here, as it is in many towns and cities all over the country, that music, as a regular branch of study in the schools, is a success.

The scholars will not all become good singers; neither will all become good readers or good mathematicians, but there is no good reason why all should not have an opportunity to learn what they can in music as well as in other branches. It is not always those who give most promise as little children, who succeed in making the best singers. Other things being equal, of course the child who is naturally musical will take the lead; but there are other essential qualities which are sometimes harder to cultivate than the ear or the voice. It is just as certain that the ear can be trained to know the various musical tones of the scale in their relation to one another, as it is that the eye can be trained to know the different colors with their shades and tints. But this is only the first step, and when this preparatory work in training the ear has been done, it must be followed by intellectual as well as musical development, otherwise the child will learn to sing by ear, but will never learn to read written music. There is probably no exercise which requires closer application on the part of the pupils than that of singing new music at sight. Each note presents a complex problem, for the length and pitch of each note must be determined accurately and promptly. If this cannot be done, the singer is unable to proceed.

Seventy per cent. of the children when they first enter school are unable to sing the simplest melody; they cannot even sing the scale. I have made a careful examination in the different grades of the Osgood school, that I might report facts in regard to the progress made, I find in the first grade, where only about three in every ten could sing last September, that all but six of the twenty-eight in the grade can sing in tune. In the second grade, where there are thirty-one scholars, all but four can sing in tune. In the third grade, there are twenty-five scholars and every one can sing correctly. In the fourth grade, there are twenty-six scholars and every one can sing in tune.

These are facts that speak for themselves. In the higher grades, where the music studied is more difficult, there are a few scholars who, for various reasons, do not make much progress, but the number is very small.

Many of the scholars who could not sing at all when they entered school, are now independent singers and have surpassed some, who as little children could sing correctly, but being perhaps less enterprising and more easily discouraged, have not always tried to do their very best. The question is not what do the children know about music, but what can they do?

It is not to be expected that the musical instruction given in the school-room will be sufficient for a complete musical education, but the drill which the pupils receive does enable them to sing music of a medium grade of difficulty at sight, and when they are called upon to sing in the church choir, the chorus, or at a social gathering, they can do so intelligently and acceptably. I am told by citizens of this town, who are in a position to know, that already the number of young people who are available for work of this kind is much greater than it was before music was taught in the schools.

In my opinion, the time has now come when music is looked upon by both teachers and scholars in the Cohasset schools as one of the so-called "regular" branches of instruction, and I believe that the results obtained will compare favorably with results in other branches.

The books that have been used in the high school have now found a place in the lower grades, where they properly belong, and I would recommend that a set of high school music books be provided for this school. I feel that good work has been done in all grades by the regular teachers during the past year, and conditions seem to be favorable for good work in the future.

Respectfully submitted,

A. E. BRADFORD,
Supervisor of Music.

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL OF EVENING SCHOOL.

To the Superintendent of Schools: —

The term of the evening school for the winter of 1893-4 began October 30, 1893, and continued for thirty-six sessions, ending February 2, 1894.

The attention has been given, as heretofore, to work in reading, writing, and arithmetic, and the progress made by all in these branches has been very noteworthy.

It is the experience of all evening schools to register quite a large number on the first night, to be encouraged by good attendance for a few evenings, and then to see the membership fall to a number which includes those only who are strong in their determination to acquire new power in the branches taught, and who are ready to sacrifice therefor some of their winter evenings and outside pleasures.

This has been our experience, and during the three seasons of the evening school it has been found that the number of regular attendants is very small. The average attendance during this term has been 50% of the number which registered. Those, however, who have attended regularly have shown great earnestness and perseverance and it is this alone which can recommend the continuance of the school.

Respectfully submitted,

C. F. JACOBS, *Principal.*

REPORT OF TEACHER OF DRAWING.

To the Superintendent of Schools : —

Those who saw the exhibition of work in form, color, and drawing, held in the Osgood School in June, have a better idea of what was accomplished in our schools in these subjects of study than a written report can reveal. The state supervisor of art instruction, Mr. Henry T. Bailey, was present to inspect the work and pronounced the results excellent for the first year.

Something under each division of the subjects was attempted, but more time was given to the pictorial drawing than to any other in grades above the primary. In order that the pupils might make a broader application of principles studied in the class-room it was suggested that they provide themselves with sketch books, to be used, chiefly, out of school hours as supplementary to work done with the class. These have been a help to the individual pupil when faithfully used, being one of the best means of leading the pupil to observe and think for himself and to make his knowledge live knowledge.

The geometric drawing followed the pictorial drawing. That this work might seem more practical to the pupils, after the principles had been taught from the geometric solids, those in the grammar grades drew, as applications, useful objects made by the boys in the Waltham Manuel Training School. These were kindly loaned by the principal, Mr. Schwartz.

Before the end of the school year the pupils were provided with drafting boards, T squares, and triangles similar to those used by the draughtsmen in the shops. These have enabled the pupils to do more advanced work than could have been accomplished with rule and compass only.

In connection with the study of historic ornament and design, some attention was given to the study of color and the color harmonies. In December Mr. Bailey visited our schools and gave a very interesting and suggestive talk to the teachers on the subject.

Excellent work in historic design, as in all other subjects of drawing, has been accomplished in the high school with Miss Keen's able assistance. The pupils worked from flat copies. It is hoped that this year a few casts and photographs of ornament may be provided as a further aid to the study,

The need is felt, too, of good reference books particularly as aids in teaching the history of art and design. Much may be taught by the teacher, but unless the pupil is led to study to search and to find for himself, his knowledge soon passes away. It is desirable therefore that books on art be added to the school library.

It is as important, also, that our pupils learn to appreciate a good picture as a good book. The attention of educators in the towns and cities throughout the country is being given to supplying the schools with pictures of educational value. Recently good reproductions of photographs of famous buildings, monuments, and paintings have been made and furnished at a moderate cost for school rooms, as aids in the study of art and history. It is hoped that our schools also may soon be supplied. A picture of the Greek Parthenon, for instance, would illustrate to the pupils in the primary grades the highest application of the cylinder in art; to the pupils in the high school it would present a type of architectural beauty. In the pyramids of Egypt they would see the grandest illustrations of the square pyramid.

Necessary material has been very generously provided, and in all of our schools good work is being accomplished. The same general plan

has been followed this year as last. It has been our aim constantly to advance and improve the character of the work, to help the pupils to a broader knowledge, to make the study practical in the daily life of the pupil, and to render it more uplifting and refining in its influence.

Our pupils below the high school are doing straight grade work, and in the high school, that usually taken during the first and second years. The best results, this year, show a marked improvement over the best results of last year, this is true also of the class work as a whole. The pupils draw much more freely and artistically, and are learning to study and express their knowledge conscientiously. The successful progress of the work is largely due to the unfailing interest and faithfulness of the teachers, who have so intelligently supplemented my efforts and made my associations with them a pleasure.

Respectfully submitted,

M. A. PEARSON.

STATISTICS OF ATTENDANCE.

Whole number of children in town May 1, 1893, between five and fifteen years of age	376
Whole number between eight and fourteen	262
Whole number in school between five and fifteen	363
Whole number in school between eight and fourteen	205
Number in school over fifteen	46
Number in school under five	1
Total in school	410
Average membership	386.2
Average attendance	329.8
Per cent. of attendance	86
Number of Superintendent's visits since September, 1893	59

	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Per cent. of Attendance.	Tardy.
Osgood School,				
High	58.5	54.8	93	54
Eighth grade	47.9	37.4	79	56
Seventh "	38	35.2	93	53
Sixth ")				
Fifth ")	43.5	40.1	92	88
Fourth ")				
Third ")	44.4	40.9	92	55
Second "	29.1	24.3	83	56
First "	36.4	26.4	72	12
Jerusalem School	21.8	17.6	82	16
North School	22.5	20.1	89	23
King Street School	14.7	13.3	91	22
Beechwoods School	29.4	19.7	67	48
Totals	386.2	329.8	86	483

APPENDIX.

COURSE IN GEOGRAPHY.

Second Grade.

Directions.— Points of compass; directions applied to places in town, as churches, other schools, stations, leading stores; towns bordering upon Hingham.

Third Grade.

Land and Water Forms in the neighborhood. —Hill — base, slope, summit; valley; plain; brook — banks, source, mouth; spring; pond; seashore.

(Take class to study these forms from the object itself. Use note and sketch books for recording in the simplest manner.)

Home Geography. — Plan of the school district, placing leading buildings, showing relative position and direction of streets; occupations of town; relation of district to the rest of the town; town to other towns.

Fourth Grade.

Land and Water Forms. — Those not easily seen. — Cloud; fog; mist; rain; dew; frost; snow; hail.

(Teach when conditions will allow observations.)

Climate, — Winds; direction; calm; breeze; gale; storm; accompanying temperature.

Races, — Caucasian; Mongolian; African; Malay; American. Of each, characteristics and leading people.

Fifth Grade.

Earth as a whole.—(Study of the globe),— Shape; size; axis; poles; circles; zones; relative amounts of land and water; motions and effects; land and water masses studied; leading representatives named and located.

Map Reading. —

Course in reading, extending throughout the year, on the people of the world, manners, customs, etc.

Sixth Grade.

Study of the Continents. — General features; outline; surface; primary highlands and slopes; secondary highlands; plains.

(Apply to each of continents, learn chief mountain systems in the highlands, also plateaus).

Drainage, — The great river systems; chief rivers; sections drained; lakes and lake systems.

Course in reading upon the natural scenery of the continents.

Seventh Grade.

Study of the Continents. — (continued) — A complete review of Sixth Grade work.

Climate, — According to general law; according to modifications.

Productions, — Vegetable; animal.

(Make close connection with surface and climate.)

Minerals.

Countries, — Situation; relative importance.

Course in reading upon productions; also upon countries, paying special attention to Great Britain and France.

Eighth Grade.

The Chief Commercial Cities of the World. — Products of surrounding districts; exports; imports; character of the city and its people.

United States, — Physical features; products and manufactures by natural sections; commercial cities; routes of commerce.

Course in reading upon the great cities of the world; also upon United States.

Suggestions.

In all grades have map drawing to illustrate ideas expressed, use the outline maps freely.

Make a constant use of pictures. Form a school cabinet, add to it steadily and use it as much as possible in study.

Mold to illustrate forms studied.

Study the neighborhood thoroughly that you may take your class to nature itself as often as possible. Do not be contented in telling your class to go to the spot. Lead your pupils there and teach your lesson. Use observation lessons for sketches and notes.

In studying the globe, prepare so that unimportant points shall be covered. Let each have his own globe and experiment under direction.

In all the early mapwork, keep maps flat upon the floor or table and teach map reading by the increase of numbers rather than by direction on the map; teach pupils to follow lines representing earth's circles.

The work of the Sixth and Seventh Grades is largely comparative in facts of continental features.

Do not attempt to teach too many facts for their own value. Facts, usually, are of value only as they tend to lead to general or class ideas.

Commercial geography and the study of countries should be more of an application of the concepts acquired in the previous study to a new line of thought.

Encourage book study by having original search in other books than those furnished by the school.

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FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31,

1894.

COHASSET:
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1895.

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OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1894-95.

Selectmen, Assessors, and Overseers of the Poor.

J. Q. A. LOTHROP, Chairman (his offices made vacant by death, September 24, 1894) . . . . . Term Expires, March 1, 1897
PHILANDER BATES . . . . . " " March 1, 1896
CALEB F. NICHOLS . . . . . " " March 1, 1895

Treasurer and Collector of Taxes, ABRAHAM H. TOWER.

School Committee.

E. POMEROY COLLIER, Chairman . . . . Term Expires, March 1, 1896
JOSEPH S. BIGELOW . . . . . " " March 1, 1897
AMOS A. LAWRENCE . . . . . " " March 1, 1897
LOUIS T. CUSHING . . . . . " " March 1, 1895
CYRUS H. BATES . . . . . " " March 1, 1895
CALEB LOTHROP, Secretary and Treasurer . . " " March 1, 1896

Superintendent of Schools, ELMER L. CURTISS.

Board of Health, THE SELECTMEN.

Fire Engineers and Forest Fire Wards.

EDWARD E. WENTWORTH, Chief.
CHARLES A. GROSS, 1st Assistant. HENRY E. BRENNOCK, 2d Assistant
A. BRADFORD LITCHFIELD. ALSON S. RICHARDSON.
HARRY C. MAPES, Clerk.

(HENRY T. P. BATES was appointed and served on the Board a portion of the year and then resigned.)

Constables and Field Drivers.

EDWARD E. WENTWORTH. JOHN ROCHE, JR.
HENRY E. BRENNOCK. A. BRADFORD LITCHFIELD
CHARLES L. KITTRELL. THOMAS S. GRASSIE.

Special Police Officer (appointed), ANDREW H. PROUTY.

Superintendent of Streets, PHILANDER BATES.

Auditor, HARRY W. SOUTHER.

Sealer of Weights and Measures, ALLEN C. BATES.

Auctioneers.

LOUIS N. LINCOLN. AARON PRATT. JAMES S. BEAL

Trustees of the Public Library.

REV. JOSEPH OSGOOD, D.D., Chairman . . . Term Expires, March 1, 1896
MISS SARAH SIG. PRATT . . . . . " " March 1, 1896
MISS EDITH M. BATES . . . . . " " March 1, 1896
MRS. ABRAHAM H. TOWER . . . . . " " March 1, 1897
MISS SARAH B. COLLIER, Librarian . . . " " March 1, 1897
EDWARD F. RIPLEY . . . . . " " March 1, 1897
EDWARD E. ELLMS . . . . . " " March 1, 1895
LOUIS T. CUSHING, Esq. . . . . " " March 1, 1895
ABRAHAM H. TOWER, Treasurer . . . . " " March 1, 1895

Measurer of Wood and Bark, EZRA BROWN.

Public Weighers.

PHILANDER BATES. CALEB F. NICHOLS

Fence Viewers.

EZRA BROWN. JOHN L. PRATT. FRED L. REED

Surveyor of Lumber, ARTHUR O. HIGGINS.

Inspector of Cattle, CALEB F. NICHOLS.

Undertaker, BENJAMIN F. EVANS.

Pound Keeper, LEVI L. WORRICK.

Keeper of Lockup, HENRY E. BRENNOCK.

Registrars of Voters.

CHARLES F. TILDEN, Chairman . . . . Term Expires, May 1, 1897
C. JAMES PRATT . . . . . " " May 1, 1895
JOHN M. DAMON . . . . . " " May 1, 1896
NEWCOMB B. TOWER, Town Clerk, *ex officio*, Clerk of Board.

REPORT

OF

THE TOWN CLERK.

DOINGS

OF THE

TOWN OF COHASSET.

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK.

Extracts from the Town Records.

The Annual Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Cohasset was held Monday, March 5, 1894, agreeably to a warrant duly executed and served for holding the same, at which time the several articles therein contained were acted upon as follows: —

(The number of registered voters was 507 males, 6 females.)

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

Chose, J. Q. A. Lothrop, Moderator.

ARTICLE 2. To act upon the financial reports of the Selectmen, Overseers of the Poor, Treasurer, Librarian, and Treasurer of the Public Library, School Committee, and Treasurer of the School Committee.

Each of the above reports was, by a vote, accepted.

ARTICLE 3. To choose all Town Officers required by law and Town by-laws.

A list of the Officers chosen at this meeting and appointed by the Selectmen may be seen upon page 4.

ARTICLE 4. What sums of money will the Town raise and appropriate for the payment of debt, interest, support of schools, repairs of highways, relief of poor, public library, electric lights, watering streets, decorating soldiers' and sailors' graves, soldiers' and sailors' relief, and all other necessary charges and expenses for the current year.

It was voted that twenty-seven thousand eight hundred and fifty dollars ($27.850.00) be assessed and raised by taxation the current year, as recommended by the Selectmen.

It was voted that forty-seven thousand eight hundred and fifty dollars ($47,850.00) be appropriated the current year as recommended by the Selectmen, which was as follows: —

For Payment of Debt	$6,400.00
„ Interest	3,500.00
Support of Schools	12,500.00
Support and Relief of Poor	5,000.00
Highways and Sidewalks	6,000.00
Electric Lights	5,000.00
Cohasset and Hingham Water Companies	1,950.00
Soldiers' and Sailors' Relief	600.00
Town Officers	1,600.00
Watering Streets	1,200.00
Incidental Expenses	1,000.00
Fire Department	600.00
Removing Snow	1,000.00
Public Library	700.00
Printing	300.00
Military Aid	200.00
Town Hall	200.00
G. A. R. Post 98	100.00
Total	$47,850.00

ARTICLE 5. Will the Town authorize the Treasurer to hire money with the approval of the Selectmen in anticipation of the taxes, and to pay State and Military Aid.

It was voted that the Treasurer be authorized to hire money with the approval of the Selectmen in anticipation of the taxes, and to pay State and Military Aid.

ARTICLE 6. In what manner will the Town collect the taxes the current year, and at what time shall they be paid into the treasury.

It was voted that the taxes the current year be collected in the same manner, and paid into the treasury at the same time as last year, which was: "The taxes assessed for the current year shall be due and payable on the first day of August; and on all taxes remaining unpaid on the first day of October, interest, not exceeding seven per cent. per annum, shall be added thereto until paid; and the taxes remaining unpaid on the tenth day of January (1895) shall be considered delinquent, and subject to collection according to law. The interest accruing under this vote shall be added to and be a part of such taxes."

ARTICLE 7. To hear the report of the Selectmen on Guideboards, and act thereon.

It was voted that the above report be accepted. The report is as follows: —

"Guide-boards are maintained at the following places: corner of Church and Beechwood Streets; Doane and Beechwood; King and Beechwood; Beechwood and South Main; South Main and Summer; Summer and Border; North Main and Jerusalem Road; North Main and King; Forest Avenue and North Main; Jerusalem Road and Forest Avenue, and Hull Street and Jerusalem Road."

ARTICLE 8. Will the Town accept the list of Jurors as prepared and posted by the Selectmen.

It was voted that the requests of seven persons to have their name stricken from, and of one person to have his name added to, the list of Jurors, be granted, making the list, as accepted by the Town, as follows: —

Edwin Bates,	John W. Hunt,
Charles F. Bennett,	Ezekiel L. James,
Thomas D. Blossom,	Waldo C. Locke,
Alfred Beal,	George S. Munroe,
Herbert O. Beale,	George W. Pratt,
Charles C. Coolidge,	John L. Pratt,
Morton S. Crehore,	Charles J. Priest,
Robert L. Curtis,	John Roche, Jr.,
Thomas W. Doyle,	William H. Reed,
Leander W. Groce,	George D. Silsbee,
Charles Harris,	William W. Studley,
George O. Higgins,	Willie F. Thayer,
Henry E. Brennock,	Israel C. Vinal,
Wallace Willcutt,	Samuel L. Williams,
Thomas F. Kinsley,	Levi L. Worrick.

ARTICLE 9. To hear and act upon the report of any committee.

The committee on the erection of floodgates at the mouth of Gulf River submitted a report to the Town, which, by a vote, was accepted and, together with the recommendations therein contained, adopted. The report is as follows: —

"Acting under the vote of the special meeting of August 20, 1892, which was 'voted, that the committee on the construction of a dam and gates, when satisfied of the number of abuttors signing a release of all claims for any damages on account of flowing, be authorized to contract and pay for the work,' and a sufficient number of abuttors having signed a release of damages to satisfy a majority of your committee, it is hereby recommended that work be commenced this spring under contract from and under the direction of your committee. And for payment of the same it is recommended that the sum of two thousand dollars ($2,000.00) be raised by taxation this year."

It was voted that the report of the committee on warming the Town Hall, wherein they recommend that action in the matter of adopting modern facilities for warming said building be deferred until the next annual meeting, be accepted and their recommendation adopted.

ARTICLE 10. What compensation will the Town allow the Collector of Taxes for the current year.

It was voted that the compensation of the Collector of Taxes for the current year be the same as last year, namely, two hundred dollars.

ARTICLE 11. Shall licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors be granted in the Town the current year, in accordance with Chap. 100, Sec. 5, of the Public Statutes.

Upon the above question, one hundred and fifty-three ballots were cast, of which ninety-five were "Yes," and fifty-eight were "No."

ARTICLE 12. Will the Town rescind the vote passed March 6th, 1893, whereby the amount to be paid for a cemetery lot was to be assessed in the tax for 1894, and accept and adopt the recommendation of the Selectmen for the sale of the land unused for a cemetery and the payment of the notes of $3,500.

It was voted to rescind the vote passed March 6, 1893, whereby the amount to be paid for a cemetery lot was to be assessed in the tax for 1894.

It was voted that the Selectmen be authorized to sell by public auction in the month of April, next, the land on Pond Street not needed for a cemetery lot, amounting to about thirty acres, and the amount received from such sale be applied toward the payment of notes given at the time of the purchase of the lot, amounting to $3,500.00. The balance of said notes to be hired by the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, for the term of ten years, at a rate of interest not exceeding four and one-half per cent. per annum.

The above votes were passed upon the recommendation of the Selectmen, alluded to in the above article.

ARTICLE 13. Will the Town place the new cemetery lot on Pond Street in charge of the Central Cemetery Association, or act thereon.

It was voted that the town give the Cohasset Central Cemetery Association the full control of the new cemetery on Pond Street, with power to sell and convey lots to purchasers, the Town reserving for its own use such portion as the Selectmen and the Association may agree upon. Also a part of the cemetery to be set off for a Catholic burying-ground, the portion to be agreed between the Association and the Catholic Church Society. The Association to have control of the entire grounds, to make the price on lots, and to make such Rules and Regulations as they may deem necessary.

ARTICLE 14. Will the Town let the Village Guild Association have the use of the Harbor School Building, free of rent, or act thereon.

It was voted that the Town will grant the use of the Harbor School Building free of rent, to the Village Guild Association for a term of two years, unless sooner given up by it.

ARTICLE 15. Will the Town raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred dollars to repair Gulf River bridge, or act thereon.

It was voted that the sum of two hundred dollars be raised and appropriated for the purpose set forth in the above article.

ARTICLE 16. Will the Town appoint a Committee on Town History, or act upon anything relating thereto.

It was voted that a Committee of five be appointed, by the Moderator, on Town History. The Moderator appointed Rev. Joseph Osgood, D.D., Aaron Pratt, Esq., Oliver H. Howe, M.D., E. Pomeroy Collier, and Newcomb B. Tower. By a special vote Rev. E. Victor Bigelow was added to said Committee, thereby making it a Committee of six. Voted that this Committee have power to fill any vacancy and to enlarge its number, if it sees fit so to do.

ARTICLE 17. Will the Town instruct their Selectmen to petition the Massachusetts Highway Commission to acquire and build as a State Highway the road leading from Fore River bridge, at Pine Point, in the town of Weymouth, to the southerly part of Cohasset, in the County of Norfolk, or act on anything relating thereto.

It was voted that the motion to instruct the Selectmen to petition the Massachusetts Highway Commission, as set forth in the warrant, be referred to a Committee consisting of the Selectmen and four others to be appointed by the Moderator, who shall investigate the matter and report at a future meeting. (No appointments were made at this meeting.)

ARTICLE 18. Will the Town raise and appropriate two hundred dollars for grading the road and sidewalk, and draining the same, from Beechwood cemetery westerly to land of Aaron Pratt, and Church Street hill near Herbert L. Brown's store, or act thereon.

It was voted that the above matter of improving Beechwood and Church streets, be referred to the Selectmen who are to do as they deem best, and whatever amount shall be expended, if any, to be taken from the Highway appropriation.

ARTICLE 19. Will the Town raise and appropriate thirty dollars for removing obstructions in the stream running from Scituate Pond into Cohasset Harbor, and otherwise improve the alewive fishery named in Chapter 151, Acts of April 27th, 1852, or act thereon.

It was voted that the matter of raising and appropriating thirty dollars for removing obstructions, as set forth in the above article, be referred to the Selectmen with full powers.

ARTICLE 20. Will the Town raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars for the purchase and equipment of a Hook and Ladder Truck for the use of the Fire Department, or act thereon.

It was voted that the matter of the purchase of a Hook and

Ladder Truck for the use of the Fire Department be referred to the Selectmen with full powers.

ARTICLE 21. What action will the Town take in regard to discontinuing the evening school.

It was voted that the evening school be discontinued.

ARTICLE 22. Will the Town cause the Financial Report to be printed and distributed in the month of February, 1895.

It was voted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 23. What action will the Town take in relation to providing for additional Fire Hydrants.

It was voted that this article be passed over.

ARTICLE 24. Will the Town raise and appropriate one hundred dollars for the Nantasket Public Library.

It was voted that the sum of one hundred dollars be raised and appropriated for the Nantasket Public Library, to be paid over whenever the Towns of Hingham and Hull pay a like sum.

It was voted that the thanks of the meeting be extended to the Moderator for the able and impartial manner in which he has presided over this meeting.

The usual noon recess was taken, at which time lunch was served to those who desired, by the ladies of the W. C. T. U., in the dining room, and at about three o'clock in the afternoon the meeting was dissolved.

ELECTION RECORD.

November 6, 1894.

Number of Registered Voters in Cohasset, 497.
Whole number of ballots cast, 248.

GOVERNOR.

	Total Vote.	Vote of Cohasset.
George H. Cary, P. P., of Lynn	9,037	2
Frederic T. Greenhalge, Rep., of Lowell	189,307	173
Alfred W. Richardson, Pro., of Springfield	9,965	6
John E. Russell, Dem., of Leicester	123,930	60
David Taylor, S. L., of Boston	3,104	0
Blanks		7

LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.

Wilbert O. Dwinell, P. P., of Danvers	9,290	2
Moritz E. Ruther, S. L., of Holyoke	3,439	0
Samuel B. Shapleigh, Pro., of Boston	20,375	6
Charles E. Stratton, Dem., of Boston	118,149	58
Roger Wolcott, Rep., of Boston	178,821	174
Blanks		8

SECRETARY.

Charles A. DeCourcy, Dem., of Lawrence	113,837	56
Wilbert D. Farnham, Pro., of Somerville	8,016	6
Joseph F. Malloney, S. L., of Lynn	4,960	0
William M. Olin, Rep., of Boston	188,459	171
Isaac W. Skinner, P. P., of Brockton	9,257	3
Blanks		12

TREASURER.

Emil Aeurbach, S. L., of Adams	3,413	0
John M. Fisher, Pro., of Attleborough	7,953	7
James S. Grinnell, Dem., of Greenfield	117,890	56
Martin W. Moran, P. P., of Boston	9,710	3
Henry M. Phillips, Rep., of Springfield	184,890	171
Blanks		11

AUDITOR.

John W. Kimball, Rep., of Fitchburg	186,254	168
Maurice W. Landers, P. P., of Pittsfield	8,892	4
Wilbur M. Purrington, Pro., of Williamsburg	8,274	6
Charles N. Wentworth, S. L., of Lynn	4,220	0
Alfred C. Whitney, Dem., of Boston	115,454	58
Blanks		12

ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

Frank M. Forbush, Pro., of Natick	7,997	6
Henry F. Hurlburt, Dem., of Lynn	115,971	56
Hosea M. Knowlton, Rep., of New Bedford	186,940	173
Frederick August Nagler, S. L., of West Springfield	3,419	0
James Sumner, P. P., of Milton	8,767	3
Blanks		10

COUNCILLOR. — First District.

Ziba C. Keith, Rep., of Brockton	23,432	173
George H. Palmer, Dem., of Fairhaven	10,484	58
Blanks		17

SENATOR. — First Plymouth District.

Edward B. Atwood, Rep., of Plymouth	3,849	171
Charles D. Nash, P. P., of Whitman	544	4
Benjamin F. Peterson, Dem., of Whitman	1,373	56
Leonard Thompson, Pro., of Hingham	212	8
Blanks		9

COUNTY TREASURER. — Norfolk.

Robert C. Habberley, Pro., of Hyde Park	1,023	9
Charles H. Smith, Dem., Rep., of Dedham	14,611	200
Blanks		39

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT. — Fourth Plymouth District.

Charles F. Kenerson, Dem., of Hingham	204	55
Edward G. Knight, Pro., of Hull	87	7
Amos A. Lawrence, Rep., of Cohasset	600	176
Blanks		10

COUNTY COMMISSIONER. — Norfolk. Full Term.

Nelson W. Green, P. P., of Hyde Park	651	3
Melville P. Morrell, Rep., of Hyde Park	10,351	156
Henry E. Ruggles, Dem., of Franklin	5,632	54
Blanks		35

COUNTY COMMISSIONER. — Norfolk. To fill vacancy in the Board caused by the death of J. Q. A. Lothrop, Esq.

Thomas Blanchard, Rep., of Stoughton	10,756	157
William W. Burke, P. P., of Weymouth	1,459	6
Blanks		85

REGISTER OF DEEDS. — Norfolk County.

John H. Burdakin, Dem., Rep., of Dedham	14,716	198
Louis W. Hodges, Pro., of Foxborough	917	7
Blanks		43

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS. — Twelfth District.

Elbridge Gerry Brown, P. P., of Brockton	2,065	3
William H. Jordan, Dem., of Brockton	6,359	59
Elijah A. Morse, Rep., of Canton	15,865	174
Blanks		12

Shall the proposed Amendment to the Constitution, relative to Commissioners of Insolvency, be approved and ratified.

Yes	114,499	81
No	34,741	14
Blanks		153

And the said Article of Amendment was ratified and adopted.

Vote of the Fourth Plymouth District for Representative to the General Court : —

	Cohasset.	Hingham.	Hull.	Total.
Charles F. Kenerson, of Hingham,	55	117	32	204
Edward G. Knight, of Hull,	7	41	39	87
Amos A. Lawrence, of Cohasset,	176	390	34	600
Wait W. Simmons, of Hingham,	0	1	0	1
Blanks	10	32	8	50
Total	248	581	113	942

It appearing that Amos A. Lawrence, of Cohasset, had received a plurality of the votes given in, a certificate of election was issued to him.

MILITARY DUTY.

The number of men in Cohasset liable to perform Military Duty May 1, 1894 318

The number of dogs licensed in Cohasset from December 1, 1893, to December 1, 1894, was : —

Male	118
Female	8
Total	126

LIST OF MARRIAGES, BIRTHS, AND DEATHS

Registered in Cohasset during the Year 1894.

MARRIAGES.

Date.	NAME.	Residence.	Where and by whom Married.
Jan. 6	Lewellyn A. Litchfield Annie L. Steele	Cohasset Wethersfield, Conn.	Married in Cohasset by Rev. E. Victor Bigelow.
" 14	Arthur J. Turner Hattie W. Damon	Norwell Cohasset	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood, D.D.
" 24	Otis R. Cooke Eleanor G. Souther	Cohasset "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood, D.D.
" 25	Henry Silver Guilhermina C. Lima	Cohasset Boston	Married in Boston by Rev. A. J. Pimentel.
March 6	Edward C. Hyland Carrie Apts	Scituate Cohasset	Married in Hanover by Rev. Melvin S. Nash.
" 29	Aubrey W. Totman Frances W. Whitcomb	Scituate "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood, D.D.
April 12	Frederick L. Marsh Mary A. Pettee	Lunenburg Cohasset	Married in Fitchburg by Rev. George S. Butters.
" 30	George P. Mott Joan F. Newcomb	Provincetown Scituate	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood, D.D.
June 20	Thaddeus W. Harris Winifred Parker	Cohasset Cambridge	Married in Cambridge by Rev. Theodore F. Wright.
" 24	Hans G. Dick Abby A. T. Morris	Scituate "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood, D.D.
July 24	William Howe Mary L. Donohue	Cohasset "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Fr. Ignatius P. Egan.
Aug. 15	*Thomas J. Hare *Sadie S. White	Hingham "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. E. Victor Bigelow.
Sept. 11	Stephen R. Walker Laurella (Tharby) Bates	Scituate "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood, D.D.
" 19	Isaiah A. Lincoln Mabel G. Pinkham	Cohasset Norwell	Married in Norwell by Rev. T. Thompson.
" 25	Stephen R. Nichols Clarissa W. Brown	Cohasset "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood, D.D.
Oct. 3	Henry T. P. Bates Mary F. Bridgham	Cohasset "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Charles Ferguson.
" 8	Abraham Ruso Anna McPherson	Cohasset Boston	Married in No. Cohasset by Rev. Elijah F. Smith.
" 9	Rubin F. Tower Myra W. Bennett	Cohasset "	Married in Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Osgood, D.D.

* Colored.

MARRIAGES — *Continued.*

Date.	NAME.	Residence.	Where and by whom Married.
Oct. 11	Warren S. Gammons . .	Cohasset . . .	Married in Cohasset by Rev.
	Mary E. (Sears) Chapman	Quincy	Joseph Osgood, D.D.
„ 25	George D. Silsbee	Cohasset . . .	Married in Roxbury by Rev.
	Bertha W. Griggs	Quincy	Julian K. Smyth.
Nov. 12	Walter J. Mulvey	Cohasset . . .	Married in Boston by Rev. Fr.
	Helen F. Flemming . . .	Boston	N. R. Walsh.
„ 18	Joseph C. Anderson . . .	Cohasset . . .	Married in Boston by Rev.
	Annie F. McKay	So. Boston . .	William F. Powers.
„ 29	Abednego W. B. Richardson	Norwell . . .	Married in No. Scituate by
	Mary E. James	Cohasset . . .	Rev. Albert D. Spaulding.
„ 29	Clement J. Prouty	Scituate . . .	Married in Cohasset by Rev.
	Mary W. Willcutt	Cohasset . . .	Joseph Osgood, D.D.
Dec. 12	Ephraim Snow, Jr. . . .	Cohasset . . .	Married in Cohasset by Rev.
	Maude Dickinson	Boston	Joseph Osgood, D.D.

Twenty-five marriages were registered in Cohasset as per list above, of which sixteen were solemnized in this town. Fifteen grooms and ten brides were residents of Cohasset, while there were but five marriages in which both were residents of this town.

BIRTHS. — 1894.

Date.	NAME.	PARENTS' NAMES.	Mother's M. N.	Place of Birth.
Jan. 3	Frank Richard Quinn	Charles H. and Mary A.	Halnan	So. Main St.
,, 4	Nellie Florence James	Ezekiel L. and Nellie G.	Bates	King St.
,, 6	Emma Jane Curtis	Thomas and Mary J.	Ratchfort	No. Main St.
,, 7	Chester Arthur Williams	William W. and Effie	McLeod	Summer St.
,, 9	Robert Stewart Boles	Alexander R. and Emily N.	Stewart	Spring St.
,, 12	Wentworth Prescott Cann	J. Murray and Abbie E.	Wentworth	So. Main St.
,, 13	Frederic Arthur Thayer	Arthur H. and Leora I.	Young	Pleasant St.
,, 24	Herndon Eastman Studley	Charles W. and Emma J.	Reed	Margin St.
Mar. 3	Flora Catherine Bandura Dora Louise Bandura	Joseph F. and Mary L.	Johnson	Border St.
,, 4	Mabel Gladys Ainslie	George W. and Belinda J.	Arnold	Church St.
,, 16	Albert Angles Foster John Joseph Foster	Joseph A. and Marianna	Pearson	Atlantic Ave.
,, 29	Ellen Marguerite Jason	Frank and Margaret L.	Supple	Snow Place.
April 5	Zoa Whitcomb Pratt	John J. A. and Mary F.	Antoine	Beechwood St.
,, 11	Waldo Washington Locke	Waldo C. and Lucinda P.	Reed	King St.
,, 14	Mabel Frances Tower	Thomas A. and Mary M.	McCloud	Summer St.
,, 14	Wallace Reamy McNeill	David and Lizzie A.	Ringham	No. Main St.
,, 16	Elizabeth Ruth Dean	William and Jessie	McDonald	Atlantic Ave.
May 5	Miriam Warren Bates	Lorenzo W. and Lottie C.	Beal	So. Main St.
,, 15	Mary Cromwell Phelps	William S., Jr., and Frederica	Horner	So. Main St.
,, 15	Fred Mitchell	Frank W. and Phœbe	Frates	Doane St.
June 3	Anastasia Margaret Brennock	T. Albert and Margaret L.	Martin	Elm St.
,, 8	Walter Ellsworth Litchfield	Lewellyn A. and Annie L.	Steele	Church St.
,, 16	Thomas Ralph Stoddard	Alden B. and Adelaide I.	Mills	Highland Ave.
,, 17	Mildred Delano Nott	James R. and Sarah A.	Delano	Hull St.
,, 28	Mary Ellen Murphy	Cornelius and Ellen	Mulcahy	James' Lane.
July 7	Nancy Margaret Cronin	John and Mary E.	Corliss	No. Main St.
,, 21	Annie Philomena Jason	Manuel and Sarah	Gillis	Spring St.
,, 23	Elysabeth Clarke	Frederick and Charlotte T.	Sharp	Jerusalem Road.
,, 24	Leo Connelly	Bartholomew J. and Mary F.	Sweeney	Jerusalem Road.
,, 27	—— Mullen	James and Mary E.	Fogarty	Pond St.
,, 30	Sarah Elizabeth Wilson	Joseph H. and Julia L. M.	Henry	Sohier St.
Aug. 3	Florence Maria Thompson	John H. and Maria	Kelly	Border St.
,, 19	Helen Frances McKenzie	Charles E. and Mary L.	Blake	Bow St.
,, 20	Abbie Elizabeth Mannix	Michael and Abbie	Moriarty	Border St.
,, 20	Margaret Louise Donovan	Daniel and Margaret	McCarty	Sohier St.
Sept. 15	Ralph Eugene Hunter	Charles W. and Nettie	Bates	Cedar St.
,, 23	Isabella Jane James	William and Mary	McDonald	Elm St.
,, 23	Margaret Grieve	Robert and Louise	Hardy	Jerusalem Road.
Oct. 6	Joseph Francis Antoine	Charles V. and Helen C.	Francis	Spring St.
,, 23	Ralph Dam Petersen	Peter D. and Inger M.	Jensen	Jeru'lem R'd Ex.
,, 29	William Edward Kinsley	Thomas F. and Emma L.	Locke	King St.
,, 31	Arthur Leo Bagwell	John J. and Mary A.	Finnegan	Jerusalem Road.
Nov. 8	Helen May Davenport	Arthur A. and Hannah E.	Powers	Cedar St.
,, 15	Stephen Joseph Grassie	Joseph E. and Mary A.	Reilly	Border St.
,, 26	Matthew Francis Salvador	Frank E. and Katie	Smith	Boston.
,, 30	Earl Cann	J. Murray and Abbie E.	Wentworth	So. Main St.
Dec. 12	Herbert John Grassie	John J. and Caroline E.	Neagle	Border St.
,, 26	Sewell Willcut Rich	Thomas A. and Mary A.	Wellman	Elm St.
,, 28	Stephen Hamilton Rooney	Barney and Delia	Reilly	Stockbridge.
1893.				
April 16	Velma Snow Priest	Charles J. and Helen M.	Snow	Forest Ave.
July 25	George Salvador Peter	Antoine and Julia	Frates	Joakin's Island.
Sept. 15	Russell Parker Freeman	Alfred V. and Nellie	Studley	Pleasant St.
,, 24	Eleanor Cabot	Godfrey L. and Maria B.	Moors	Jerusalem Road.
Nov. 2	William Otis Studley	Arthur and Cora B.	Reynolds	Smith Place.

The above list contains the names of fifty babies born in Cohasset in 1894 — five born in 1893 — omitted from the last report, and one born in 1894, in Boston.

Of those born in 1894, there were twenty-five males and twenty-six females, with parentage as follows: —

American Father and American Mother	23
American Father and Foreign Mother	8
Foreign Father and American Mother	8
Foreign Father and Foreign Mother	12

DEATHS. — 1894.

Date.	NAME.	Age. Y.	M.	D.	Cause of Death.	Place of Death.
Jan. 2	Stephen D. Farrar	62	. .	. .	Pneumonia	Border St.
,, 6	M. Henry Sweeney	24	4	. .	Grippe and Typhoid Fever	Elm St.
,, 10	Lucy R. Parker	4	2	6	Diphtheria	Methuen.
,, 21	James F. Doane	28	. .	. .	Exhaustion following Acute Erysipelas	Waltham.
Feb. 16	Daughter of Edwin G. and Bertha L. Stewart	. .	. .	. .	Stillborn	Beechwood St.
Mar. 4	[1] James St. John	81	6	22	Broncho Pneumonia	Border St.
,, 5	Mary A. (Souther) Lincoln	82	. .	. .	Heart Disease	Sohier St.
,, 9	Walter Mitchell	4	2	. .	Tubercular Meningitis	Doane St.
,, 28	Marcia D. (Lothrop) Tower	73	6	. .	Ascites	Hull St.
April 1	Bithia A. Hincks	73	4	12	Sarcoma of the Lungs	No. Main St.
,, 13	[2] Michael Mannix	47	. .	. .	Pneumonia	Border St.
,, 20	William Pratt	87	1	26	Brochitis	Elm St.
,, 22	Edward S. Campbell	24	8	. .	Accidental R.R'd Injuries	Near Sohier St.
,, 23	[3] Ann (Hefferan) Mulvey	69	. .	. .	Diabetes	No. Main St.
May 26	Ella W. Hayden	40	2	14	Pulmonary Phthisis	Summer St.
,, 27	Mary E. St. John	16	8	20	Congestion of the Lungs and Heart Disease	So. Main St.
,, 31	[4] Antoine George	80	. .	. .	Chronic Cystitis	Almshouse.
,, 31	Mabel G. Ainslie	. .	2	27	Accidental Suffocation	Doane St.
June 1	Mary C. Phelps	. .	. .	14	Meningitis	Boston.
July 16	Thomas L. Bates	44	1	10	Bright's Disease	Boston.
,, 27	—— Mullen	. .	. .	1	Debility	Pond St.
Sept. 1	Margaret A. (McGrath) Strite	43	3	6	Pulmonary Phthisis	Summer St.
,, 12	[4] Flora C. Bandura	. .	6	9	Cholera Infantum	Border St.
,, 13	[4] Dora L. Bandura	. .	6	10	Cholera Infantum	Border St.
,, 15	[4] Ellen M. Jason	. .	5	17	Disease of Brain	Snow Place.
,, 24	John Q. A. Lothrop	69	11	10	Cardiac Neuralgia	Summer St.
,, 25	[5] Catherine (Clary) Bates	69	1	23	Gastritis	Hyde Park.
,, 27	Margaret (Willcutt) Rich	76	. .	8	Atony of the Stomach	Highland Ave.
Oct. 11	Ezekiel Bates	75	9	. .	Rheumatism of Heart	Beechwood St.
,, 27	Hannah F. (Whitcomb) Arnold	74	7	13	Chronic Diarrhœa	Church St.
,, 28	Ophelia Whittington	53	. .	25	Bright's Disease	Margin St.
Nov. 9	[4] Arthur L. Bagwell	. .	. .	9	Acute Nephritis	Jerusalem R'd.
,, 15	George H. Reed	15	7	. .	Consumption	King St.
,, 15	[1] William W. O'Brien	17	8	9	Typhoid Pneumonia	Pleasant St.
,, 30	[1] Frances I. Roche	1	4	6	Tubercular Meningitis	No. Main St.
,, 30	Earl Cann	. .	. .	1	Heart Failure	So. Main St.
,, 30	[1] Elizabeth (Ainslie) Frothingham	26	3	6	Chronic Mitral Disease	Margin St.
Dec. 22	Frederick A. Crawford	31	. .	. .	Tuberculosis	Boston.
,, 26	Caroline T. Smith	71	2	. .	Heart Disease	Boston.

[1] Buried at Hingham.
[2] Buried in new Pond Street Cemetery. — First interment.
[3] Buried at West Quincy.
[4] Buried at Scituate.
[5] Buried at Hyde Park.

The above list comprises thirty-nine names, and includes seven who have died in other places who were either residents of this town, or were brought here for burial.

Of the thirty-two who died in this town, fourteen were males and eighteen were females, and their average age was thirty-eight years, one month, and twenty-six days. Twenty-three were born in Cohasset, two in Boston, one in Weymouth, and six in foreign countries. Ten were under five years, none between five and ten, three between ten and twenty, three between twenty and thirty, none between thirty and forty, three between forty and fifty, one between fifty and sixty, three between sixty and seventy, five between seventy and eighty, and four over eighty years of age.

NEWCOMB B. TOWER, *Town Clerk.*

In Memoriam.

It is with feeling of the deepest sorrow and regret that in this our Annual Report we are called upon to record the death of one with whom we have long been associated officially and who had for so many years occupied the prominent and important position of Chairman of the several Boards of Town Officers —

Hon. John Q. A. Lothrop.

He was first elected to office in 1854, and from that time until his death, which occurred very suddenly, September 24, 1894, served as Selectman and Assessor thirty-six years, and as an Overseer of the Poor twenty-nine years. As an Overseer his heart overflowed with kindness and sympathy for the poor and needy. As an instance of this, a woman relates that she and her mother were receiving aid from the Town and the time came when she could not live comfortably on the amount received. She called on Mr. Lothrop with her statement and said she thought they had better go to the almshouse. He replied: "You will not have a mother long — take care of her where she is and the Overseers will add one dollar a week to the allowance."

He served as Moderator at more than sixty meetings since his first election in 1855. He represented the District in the Legislature in 1857–67 and in 1888, and at the time of his death was serving his second term as County Commissioner, having been elected to that office in 1889. In 1861 he was appointed Deputy Collector for the port of Cohasset, and also held many other positions of public and private trust. The pleasant relations that have existed for so many years between Mr. Lothrop and his associates in office, the never-failing courtesy extended to his fellow-citizens, regardless of class or position, make his loss either as an officer or as a private citizen one not easily estimated. Always interested in whatever pertained to the welfare of his native town, his memory will long be enshrined in the hearts of its citizens.

In closing this brief tribute to his memory we tender his family, who knew him best, our sincere sympathy in their bereavement.

REPORT

OF THE

BOARD OF SELECTMEN.

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN

OF

THE EXPENDITURES AND FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE TOWN OF COHASSET, FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1894.

Soldiers' and Sailors' Relief.

Margaret Nott.

Paid	Town orders		$48.00

Emily N. Phinney.

Paid	Town orders	$72.00	
	Dr. O. H. Howe, Med. Att.	13.00	
			85.00

William F. Harris and Family.

Paid	Clarissa C. Harris, board	$182.00	
	Town of Billerica, board for Children	431.18	
			613.18

Delia Rooney and Family.

Paid	Caleb Lothrop, agent, rent	$30.00	
	P. Bates, Boots, etc.	11.18	
	Tower Bros. & Co., coal	5.81	
			46.99

Isaac H. Tower and Family.

Paid	P. Bates, Boots, etc.	$53.49	
	Cohasset Clothing Co.	28.70	
	Tower Bros. & Co., wood and coal	36.00	
			118.19

Thomas Williston.

Paid	Town of Duxbury	4.00
	Total amount	$915.36

State and Military Aid.

Paid Hannah F. Arnold	$40.00	
Harriet J. Apts	48.00	
Charles F. Bennett	36.00	
Leander W. Groce	36.00	
Julia F. Henry	48.00	
Alfred Haskell	48.00	
Warren Newcomb	54.00	
Delia Rooney	48.00	
Robert L. Curtis	96.00	
Solomon J. Hayden	120.00	
Isaac H. Tower	48.00	
Willie F. Thayer	120.00	
Total amount		$742.00
Amount to be reimbursed by State		550.00
		$192.00

State and County Tax.

Paid State Tax	$4,380.00	
County Tax	5,019.87	
		$9,399.87

Henry Bryant Post, G. A. R.

Paid Quartermaster	$100.00

Public Library.

Paid A. H. Tower, Treasurer	$700.00

Nantasket Public Library.

Paid Treasurer	$100.00

Electric Lights.

Paid Cohasset Electric Co.	$5,000.00

Cohasset and Hingham Water Co's.

Paid Treasurer of Cohasset Water Co.	$1,800.00	
„ „ Hingham „ „	150.00	
		$1,950.00

Printing.

Paid Harry W. Souther, Reports	$208.00	
„ „ „ Warrants, etc.	48.25	
Tremont Printing Co.	4.75	
Pratt Bros., Notices	1.25	
Hingham Journal, Blanks	5.00	
Cotton & Gould, tax bills	14.35	
George H. Ellis, voting lists	17.00	
		$298.60

School Appropriation.

Paid Treasurer of School Committee	$12,500.00

Repairs on Mill Bridge.

Paid D. N. Tower, plans, etc.	$5.00	
Henry E. Brennock, labor	15.00	
Joseph Battles, „	15.00	
Joseph D. Hutchinson, „	15.00	
Charles F. Tilden, Iron Work	58.29	
Philander Bates, services	5.00	
C. F. Nichols, „	5.00	
Tower Bros. & Co.	36.12	
		$154.41

Watering Streets.

Paid Estate of Alden Beal	$300.00	
Charles S. Bates	500.00	
Hingham Water Co.	220.00	
C. F. B. Tilden	150.00	
		$1,170.00

Dam at Mill Bridge.

Paid Boston Herald Co., advertising	$9.00	
Cohasset Cottager, „	3.75	
Boston Globe, „	7.50	
Boston Record, „	13.50	
George A. Lancaster as per contract	1,500.00	
D. N. Tower, services	55.00	
Louis T. Cushing, services	42.00	
C. F. Nichols „	38.00	
		$1,668.75

Fire Department.

Paid to Order of Fire Engineers $471.16

BOARD OF ENGINEERS, 1894–95.

EDWARD E. WENTWORTH, Chief.

CHARLES A. GROSS, 1st Assistant. HENRY E. BRENNOCK, 2d Assistant.

HENRY T. P. BATES, HARRY E. MAPES, Clerks.

ALSON S. RICHARDSON. A. BRADFORD LITCHFIELD.

AUDITING COMMITTEE.

CHARLES A. GROSS. HENRY E. BRENNOCK.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ENGINEERS.

To the Selectmen of Cohasset: —

GENTLEMEN, — In accordance with the requirements of the Public Statutes, the gentlemen appointed by your Board to constitute the Board of Engineers of the Cohasset Fire Department for the year ending April 30, 1895, met at the house of Engine 1, on the evening of May 1, 1894, and organized by the choice of officers as follows: —

Edward E. Wentworth, Chief; Charles A. Gross, 1st Assistant; Henry E. Brennock, 2d Assistant; Henry T. P. Bates, Clerk; Alson S. Richardson, A. Bradford Litchfield. Auditing Committee: Charles A. Gross, Henry E. Brennock.

The past year in the Fire Department has been an uneventful one. Nothing has occurred to mar the perfect harmony which has always existed, and the efficiency is even better than that of the previous year.

Very few changes have taken place in the officers of the several companies, the most important being the election of Mr. William E. Crocker, as Foreman of Zaccheus Rich Hose Co. No. 1, to fill the vacancy caused by the promotion of Mr. Harry E. Mapes to this Board, who in turn filled the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. Henry T. P. Bates, on September 4, 1894.

IMPROVEMENTS.

Owing to the action of the town at the Annual Meeting last March, improvements to buildings and property of the department during the year have of necessity been very meagre.

We have, however, purchased for the use of the department one hundred and fifty feet of hose, and one wire cutter, the cost of which was taken from the regular appropriation for the department.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

Believing it to be as much our duty to call the attention of the citizens of the town to needed improvements in the equipment of this department, as to control its management, we would respectfully call attention once more to the necessity of increased apparatus for the extinguishing of fires.

Chemical Engine Needed.

At the house of Engine 1 we have a hand engine which is of practically no use to the department in its present location. It has been used at only one fire in the last nine years, and at that one its use was entirely unnecessary and nonsensical.

We would, therefore, most earnestly recommend that this engine be either sold or located in some outlying section of the town, and that it be replaced in the Centre by a double-tank chemical engine. With a chemical engine many fires could be extinguished, especially those originating in the interior of buildings, with much less loss to property by water than is at present the case. With hose and a powerful water pressure, much damage must invariably be done by water in case of fire, before even a very slight blaze can be extinguished. With a chemical engine this unnecessary damage would be almost entirely averted.

We would, therefore, respectfully recommend that the town at its next annual meeting provide for the purchase of a chemical engine by the appropriation of the sum of $1,200, which amount will be sufficient to procure such a one as the requirements of this Town demand.

The several department houses are in need of immediate painting, and we would respectfully recommend the appropriation of $300, for this purpose, at the next annual town meeting.

General Expenses.

For the general expenses of maintenance of the department for the coming year we would recommend the appropriation of the sum of $500. In this recommendation we include firemen's poll taxes, stewards' salaries, horses to fires, supplies, and incidental expenses.

Fire Record.

March 6, 1894. About 5 o'clock P.M. the department was called to extinguish a fire in a small hut in the rear of the residence of Thomas Roche, North Main Street. Damage trifling.

About 6 o'clock P.M. on same date the department responded to an alarm from a similar fire in the rear of the residence of Dr. C. B. Bridgham, South Main Street. Damage trifling.

Several small fires have occurred during the past year which have been extinguished without giving an alarm.

One at the residence of Dr. O. H. Howe. Slight damage.

One at residence of Mr. E. A. Olmsted. Slight damage.

One at residence of Lot W. Bates. Damage slight.

Respectfully submitted,

E. E. WENTWORTH, *Chief.*

Harry E. Mapes, *Clerk.*

By order of the Board of Engineers.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ENGINEERS.

For the year ending December 31, 1894, orders have been drawn by this Board, for the payment of bills, as follows: —

Engineers' Department.

Paid H. T. P. Bates, stationery and postage	$6.64	
A. H. Tower, collector, six engineers' poll taxes	12.00	
		$18.64

"Independence" Engine One.

Paid Abraham H. Tower, collector, ten firemen's poll taxes	$20.00	
Harry F. Tilden, steward's salary	30.00	
C. F. B. Tilden, horses to fires	10.50	
" " " feather duster and waste	2.55	
Lincoln Bros., coal and wood	4.51	
Allen C. Bates, hardware and supplies	17.63	
H. P. Brown, repairing vise	2.00	
H. W. Lincoln, setting glass	.50	
Gross & Nichols, supplies	2.05	
Tower Bros. & Co., fuel and supplies	4.29	
Boston Woven Hose & Rubber Co., two lanterns	4.00	
		$98.03

Zaccheus Rich Hose One.

Paid Abraham H. Tower, collector, ten firemen's poll taxes	$20.00	
John J. Ainsley, steward's salary	40.00	
Boston Woven Hose & Rubber Co., two lanterns	4.00	
H. T. P. Bates, postal cards	3.50	
C. F. B. Tilden, horses to fire	11.00	
W. J. Brennock, services July 3 and 4, 1894	5.00	
Allen C. Bates, labor on pipes	1.50	
Amos E. Tilden, horses to fires	10.00	
Gross & Nichols, hardware and supplies	20.58	
Tower Bros. & Co., fuel and supplies	18.70	
E. E. Wentworth, one pair whiffletrees	3.50	
Charles F. Tilden, repairs	1.50	
D. W. Pratt, setting glass	.60	
		$139.88

Nantasket Hose Two.

Paid Abraham H. Tower, collector, two firemen's poll taxes	$4.00	

HOOK AND LADDER ONE.

Paid Abraham H. Tower, collector, nine firemen's poll taxes	$18.00	
Joseph A. Antoine, steward's salary	20.00	
Joseph Jason, horses to fires	25.00	
George Antoine, services July 3 and 4, 1894	5.00	
A. C. Bates, brass oil can	.22	
Gross & Nichols, hardware and supplies	11.89	
Tower Bros. & Co., fuel and supplies	6.00	
Charles F. Tilden, repairs to truck	1.45	
D. W. Pratt, setting glass	.90	
		$88.46

MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid Boston Woven Hose & Rubber Co., 150 feet 2 1-2 in. hose	$75.00	
Boston Woven Hose & Rubber Co., 1 pair wire cutters	10.00	
Boston Woven Hose & Rubber Co., 2 dozen 2 1-2 in. washers	1.50	
A. E. Tilden, horse and sleigh, clearing snow from hydrants	4.00	
E. E. H. Souther, services July 3 and 4, 1894	3.00	
George O. Brown, " " " "	4.00	
H. E. Brennock, clearing snow from hydrants	3.00	
D. Sylvester, supplies	6.97	
M. B. Stetson & Co., cambric for draping houses	1.40	
F. H. Nichols, " " " "	2.38	
		$111.25
Appropriation for year		$500.00
Amount expended for year		460.26
Amount unexpended		$39.74

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY T. P. BATES.
Clerk of the Board.

COMPANIES AND APPARATUS.

ENGINE ONE. — Junction South Main and Elm Streets. Hand Engine, with Hose Reel carrying 500 feet. Eleven men. Stephen R. Nichols, foreman; Ruben F. Tower, clerk.

HOOK AND LADDER ONE. — Border Street, opposite Summer. Ladder Truck, eight ladders and hooks, and Boston Extension Ladder. Twelve men. George Jason, foreman; Frank F. Martin, Jr., clerk.

ZACCHEUS RICH HOSE ONE. — Border Street, opposite Summer. Hose Wagon, carrying 1,000 feet. Thirteen men. William E. Crocker, foreman; Thomas A. Rich, clerk.

HOSE TWO. — Corner Jerusalem Road and Hull Street. Hose Reel, carrying 500 feet. Two men. James S. Beal, foreman.

Cemetery, Pond Street.

Paid Orlando Curtis, labor on fence	$35.00	
E. M. Cronican, „ „ „	35.00	
D. N. Tower, plans	41.50	
Tower Bros. & Co., fencing	25.20	
A. E. Tilden, barge for committee	12.00	
		$148.70

Removing Snow.

Paid C. F. B. Tilden and others	$200.25	
Wm. O. Souther „	117.37	
Philander Bates „	272.55	
Samuel E. Pratt „	138.85	
Estate Alden Beal „	58.50	
A. E. Tilden „	167.25	
Almshouse	6.75	
C. F. Tilden, snow plows and repairs	83.00	
E. E. Wentworth „	9.70	
		$1,054.22

Highways.

Paid Philander Bates, Superintendent of Streets $5,995.63

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS.

To the Board of Selectmen : —

GENTLEMEN, —In submitting my report for the year ending December 31, I can only say the work has been carried on as in former years. The amount appropriated was not what was actually needed, as I have found, in carrying out the plans for improvement made a year ago. The widening on Atlantic Avenue proved to be a much larger job than was anticipated, but once undertaken could not be left until finished. Ledges were removed and road widened on Beach Street, which also proved a larger undertaking than it appeared, and its nearness to dwellings added to the work. Beechwood Street has been trenched and filled with stone in the centre of the road in several of the worst places, and there are still sections that should receive the same treatment. A portion of South Main Street south of Beechwood Street has been graded with gravel, and from corner of Elm Street south to the hill with crushed stone. The road at junction of Hull Street and Jerusalem Road was graded in connection with work being done on the Hingham side with crushed stone, leaving it in good condition for the travel

it receives. A little over 1,500 loads of crushed stone and gravel has been used the past season. At the last Annual Meeting the subject of state roads was referred to, a committee to be appointed by the Moderator, the Selectmen to constitute a part. As nothing has been done, I would ask that the matter be brought before the town at its next Annual Meeting, by inserting in the warrant an article as follows: Will the Town instruct its officers to petition the Massachusetts Highway Commission for a state road leading from the Hingham line through North and South Main streets to the Scituate line, and authorize them to contract with the Commission for the building of the same. As the appropriation for 1894 was not sufficient to pay for the work done, and as there are places that need to be improved, notably near residence of Ephraim Lincoln on Jerusalem Road, I would ask that the estimated amount for highways and sidewalks for 1895 be $7,000.

The following is a statement of appropriations and amounts paid for labor, teams, gravel, crushed stone, lumber, and drain pipe: —

Amount of balance, as per report		$6.47
„ „ appropriation, 1894		6,000.00
		$6,006.47
„ paid		5,995.63
„ Balance		$10.84
Paid Louis T. Cushing	$90.00	
George W. Mealy	109.97	
Waldo C. Locke	78.45	
Thomas Loney	62.50	
Thomas W. Whitcomb	27.50	
Elmer E. Bates	67.25	
Levi Lincoln	15.00	
John W. Bates	36.25	
Samuel E. Pratt	37.00	
Oliver H. Bates	32.00	
Manuel S. Leonard	147.63	
Estate Alden Beal	379.29	
Ira B. Pratt	32.86	
C. F. B. Tilden	56.00	
Joseph Jason	90.00	
William W. Bates	15.00	
A. E. Tilden	195.25	
Edwin W. Bates	12.00	
Turkey Meadow Farm	102.50	
Arthur Mulvey	82.50	
Edward E. Tower	999.79	
Frank M. Nichols	15.25	
Manuel Grassie	45.00	
Amount carried forward	$2,728.99	

Amount brought forward	$2,728.99
Paid Thomas Mulcahay	14.00
Joseph F. Silvey	74.00
Joseph Frates	54.00
Manuel Silvey 3d	30.00
Thomas Reedy	40.00
Manuel Oliver	12.00
Horace J. Damon	10.00
Tower Bros. & Co.	155.78
Manuel P. Valine	49.00
Stephen Reilly	53.50
Gross & Nichols	40.46
James O'Brien	55.00
Lincoln Bros.	.67
Charles F. Tilden	56.00
Charles Wilson	17.50
Thomas Roche	9.95
Otis V. Barnes	208.68
Thomas Mannix	47.14
Philander Bates	477.65
John J. Farerar	40.00
N. W. Treat	7.00
Manuel R. Silvey	251.83
Fred G. James	96.00
John E. F. Frates	59.50
L. L. Wheelwright	13.00
Edward H. Taylor	6.00
Joseph Arvella	3.00
A. B. Litchfield	6.50
George M. Ennis	49.50
Joseph A. Antoine	70.00
John Bates	38.00
Andrew H. Prouty	8.00
Richard Caddan	18.00
Joseph Caton	54.00
Richard H. Priest	17.90
David O. Wade	7.00
Mark McCormack	20.00
Charles L. Kettrell	45.00
Oren R. Beal	15.25
Joseph F. Priest	57.50
Henry Bates	56.00
Alson S. Richardson	60.00
Herbert O. Beal	15.00
William W. Studley	2.00
Amount carried forward	$5,150.22

Amount brought forward	$5,150.22	
Paid Manuel E. Brazil	38.00	
Joseph Grace	5.00	
Allen C. Bates	7.05	
Frank E. Winslow	10.00	
Lot W. Bates	21.00	
Warren Bates	26.00	
Cyrus R. Keene	4.00	
Edwin Bates	22.00	
Lawrence Arvella	10.00	
Henry L. Morris	7.00	
Robert L. Curtis	47.00	
Samuel V. Hardwick	38.00	
Isaiah Lincoln	3.50	
Franklin Mitchell	13.50	
Frank Frates	9.50	
Charles Hackett	1.60	
Joseph W. Whitcomb	14.00	
Herbert L. Brown	.70	
Orlando Curtis	12.00	
Osborn Wood	1.00	
John Beale	500.25	
Samuel Nichols	45.38	
Charles E. McKenzie	8.85	
Amount expended		$5,995.63

Respectfully submitted,

PHILANDER BATES, *Superintendent.*

Abatements.

Abated from tax of 1893	$197.19	
„ „ „ „ 1894	144.12	
		$341.31

Town Hall.

Paid Cohasset Electric Co.	$102.48	
„ „ „ lamps, shades, etc.	49.30	
E. W. Bates, „	12.70	
Norfolk County, furniture	20.00	
A. E. Tilden, moving furniture	12.00	
A. C. Bates, stoves	18.71	
William T. Tilden, carpenter	29.00	
Israel C. Vinal, painting roof	3.25	
Amount carried forward	$247.44	

Amount brought forward	$247.44	
Paid P. Bates, keys, etc.	2.33	
John L. Pratt, fencing	5.62	
Frank H. Pratt, repairs	2.50	
Lincoln Bros., wood and coal	19.50	
Tower Bros. & Co., lumber	14.78	
D. W. Pratt, glass, etc.	5.45	
		$297.62

Straits Pond.

Paid Wm. B. Taylor, clearing pond	$27.00	
Ira T. Adams, „ „	19.50	
Joseph Taylor, „ „	23.00	
H. R. Bezasen, „ „	36.00	
C. H. Place, use of boat	2.50	
Charles J. Priest, clearing pond	20.00	
Alfred Beal, „ „	15.00	
„ „ care of gates	78.80	
H. O. Beal, repairs at gate	55.19	
		$276.99

Cattle Inspection.

Paid Daniel N. Tower, Inspector $200.00

REPORT OF CATTLE INSPECTOR.

COHASSET, May 8, 1894.

To the Selectmen of the Town of Cohasset: —

GENTLEMEN, — I would respectfully report that I have attended to the duties of Inspector of Cattle for the year ending May 1. I have complied with instructions received from the State Board of Cattle Commissioners by making two full inspections, and some special, and made returns of same to the State Board.

I report number of owners	129
Number of cows	283
„ „ two-year-olds	21
„ „ one „ „	41
„ „ oxen	6
„ „ bulls	5
Total of cattle inspected	356

Respectfully submitted,

D. N. TOWER, *Inspector.*

Special Police.

Paid Edward E. Wentworth	$200.00	
Thomas S. Gracia	25.00	
Andrew H. Prouty	19.50	
		$244.50

Town Officers.

Paid	Estate of J. Q. A. Lothrop, services and expenses as Selectman and Assessor	$230.15	
	Philander Bates, services and expenses as Selectman and Assessor	325.00	
	Caleb F. Nichols, services and expenses as Selectman and Assessor	325.00	
	Abraham H. Tower, Treasurer and Collector of Taxes	300.00	
	Newcomb B. Tower, Town Clerk	75.00	
	Newcomb B. Tower, Registrar of Voters	20.00	
	Charles F. Tilden, „ „ „	20.00	
	C. James Pratt, „ „ „	20.00	
	John M. Damon, „ „ „	20.00	
	Allen C. Bates, sealer of weights and measures	50.00	
	Edward E. Wentworth, Constable	111.50	
	A. Bradford Litchfield, „	65.00	
	Henry E. Brennock, „	9.50	
	Charles L. Kittrell, „	50.00	
	Thomas S. Gracia, „	20.00	
	John Roche, Jr. „	37.50	
	Harry W. Souther, Auditor	25.00	
	A. H. Tower, Election Officer	5.00	
	S. H. Stoughton, „ „	5.00	
	E. E. Ellms, „ „	5.00	
			$1,718.65

Incidental Expenses.

Paid	Benjamin F. Evans, return of deaths	$14.25	
	Manuel Jason, lodging travelers	13.00	
	A. B. Litchfield, court fees	8.64	
	E. E. Wentworth, „ „	23.36	
	Henry E. Curtis, „ „	8.08	
	Arthur H. Pratt, „ „	5.74	
	Henry E. Brennock, lockup and tramps	104.50	
	Henry E. Brennock, Election Officer, '93	5.00	
	Joseph St. John, postage, etc.	26.10	
	Dr. O. H. Howe, vaccinating	13.25	
	„ „ „ return of births	7.00	
	„ „ „ services at lockup	2.00	
	Elmer L. Curtiss, fares for truants	2.80	
	Lot W. Bates, care of clock	20.00	
	C. F. B. Tilden, teams for constables	17.50	
	E. L. Burdakin, copy of deeds	20.00	
	Lincoln Bros., coal for lockup	11.78	
	Amount carried forward	$303.00	

Amount brought forward	$303.00
Paid Frank H. Pratt, labor on flagstaff	6.25
Louisa J. Wheelwright, rent for Mrs. Bliss	14.39
Gross & Nichols, lunch for tramps	20.08
Joseph St. John, „ „ „	4.73
Gross & Nichols, stationery	7.20
A. C. Bates, repairs on pump, etc.	4.09
R. B. Pratt, platform on pump	5.00
Israel C. Vinal, painting bridge	31.50
C. R. Keene, trees on common	5.50
L. C. Small, painting	1.00
E. E. Bates, storing and moving furniture	77.81
E. E. Tower, mowing common	9.00
Manuel P. Valine, painting posts	8.00
J. E. F. Frates, „ „	8.00
W. E. Crocker, removing flagstaff	9.50
E. E. Wentworth, care of tramps	20.00
A. C. Bates, lockup	1.15
Cohasset Water Co., lengthening hydrant	14.19
Thomas S. Gracia, care of tramps	3.50
Dr. C. B. Bridgham, return of births	4.25
A. E. Tilden, horse hire, Selectmen	60.75
„ „ „ Assessors	8.00
„ „ „ Town Clerk	5.00
„ „ „ Registrars	5.00
„ „ „ Constables	48.00
„ „ „ flagstaff	5.00
D. W. Pratt, painting sign	1.00
C. F. Tilden, repairs fence on common	18.00
„ „ bolting trees, etc.	15.10
Louis N. Lincoln, auctioneer	5.00
„ „ „ care of hall, meetings	16.00
Geo. O. Higgins, care of park	5.00
Tower Bros. & Co., flagstaff	8.77
Edward E. Wentworth, cleansing house	9.00
Dr. O. H. Howe, services Board of Health	4.00
P. Bates, „ „ „	15.00
C. F. Nichols, „ „ „	15.00
Manuel S. Leonard, labor „ „	5.25
Joseph Frates, „ „ „	4.00
Joseph F. Silva, „ „ „	2.00
Richard Cadden, „ „ „	1.00
Tower Bros. & Co., lumber, town pump	5.11
P. Bates, distributing reports	6.00
Arthur C. Litchfield, damage to wagon	20.00
Amount carried forward	$845.12

Amount brought forward	$845.12	
N. B. Tower, recording marriages, births, and deaths	38.45	
„ „ use of typewriter	15.00	
„ „ bills paid	11.30	
„ „ paid expressing	4.05	
R. A. Kempton, damage to dress	15.00	
Geo. F. Higgins, seal bounty	3.00	
		$931.92

Amount of Expenditures.

Soldiers' and Sailors' Relief	$915.36	
State and Military Aid	742.00	
State and County Tax	9,399.87	
Henry Bryant Post, G. A. R.	100.00	
Public Library	700.00	
Nantasket Public Library	100.00	
Electric Lights	5,000.00	
Cohasset and Hingham Water Co's	1,950.00	
Printing	298.60	
School Appropriation	12,500.00	
Repairs on Mill Bridge	154.41	
Watering Streets	1,170.00	
Dam at Mill Bridge	1,668.75	
Fire Department	471.16	
Cemetery, Pond Street	148.70	
Removing Snow	1,054.22	
Highways	5,995.63	
Abatements	341.31	
Town Hall	297.62	
Straits Pond	276.99	
Cattle Inspection	200.00	
Special Police	244.50	
Town Officers	1,718.65	
Incidental Expenses	931.92	
Support and Relief of Poor	6,413.37	
		$52,793.06

Indebtedness of the Town.

January, 1895.

OSGOOD SCHOOLHOUSE DEBT.

Cohasset Savings Bank, 8 time notes	$24,000.00

FUNDED DEBT OF 1893.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts by Gay & Stanwood, 9 time notes	30,600.00

NEW CEMETERY DEBT.

Cohasset Savings Bank, demand note	$2,500.00
Interest bearing debt	$57,100.00

DISCOUNTED NOTE.

The Boston National Bank	$5,000.00
Total debt	$62,100.00

Assets of the Town.

January, 1895.

Due from State for State and Military Aid	$550.00	
Mendoca Estate	415.00	
O'Brien Estate	100.00	
Enos Estate	620.00	
Lyons Estate	338.68	
City of Boston	102.56	
Town of Hingham	85.30	
Town of Weymouth	50.30	
Guardian of William Kilburn	200.00	
Sarah McCormack, rent of pasture	40.00	
Ezekiel L. James, produce	7.60	
Balance in Treasury	7,620.92	
		$10,130.36
Total Debt of the town, December 31, 1894		$62,100.00
Deduct Assets		10,130.36
		$51,969.64

PHILANDER BATES,
CALEB F. NICHOLS,
Selectmen of Cohasset.

ESTIMATES.

Amounts Estimated by the Selectmen required to meet the Expenses of the Town for the Year 1895.

For Payment of Debt	$6,400.00
Payment of Interest	3,000.00
Support of Schools	12,850.00
Support and Relief of Poor	5,000.00
Highways and Sidewalks	7,000.00
Electric Lights	5,000.00
Cohasset and Hingham Water Co's	1,950.00
Soldiers' and Sailors' Relief	800.00
Town Officers	1,600.00
Watering Streets	1,200.00
Incidental Expenses	1,000.00
Fire Department	500.00
Removing Snow	500.00
Public Library	800.00
Printing	300.00
Straits Pond	200.00
Cattle Inspection	200.00
Military Aid	200.00
Town Hall	200.00
G. A. R. Post	100.00
	$48,800.00

The amount to be raised by taxation may be determined at the Annual Meeting.

TABLE OF AGGREGATES.

Valuation of Real Estate, 1893	$2,575,833.00
Valuation of Personal Estate, 1893	1,720,133.00
Total Valuation of 1893	$4,295,966.00
Valuation of Real Estate, 1894	$2,583,390.00
Valuation of Personal Estate, 1894	1,585,820.00
Total Valuation of 1894	$4,169,210.00
Increase on Real Estate, 1894	$7,557.00
Decrease on Personal Estate, 1894	134,313.00
Total decrease, 1894	$126,756.00

Number of Polls, 1894	644
State Tax, 1894	$4,380.00
County Tax, 1894	5,019.87
Town Grant, 1894	30,150.00
Overlayings, 1894	98.91
Total Tax, 1894	39,648.78
Rate per cent. 1894	9.20
Number of Dwellings Assessed, 1894	600
„ „ Acres „ „	5,916
„ „ Persons „ „	1,033
„ „ „ „ on property	741
„ „ „ „ on poll tax	292
„ „ Horses „	424
„ „ Cows „	270
„ „ Sheep „	2
„ „ Neat Cattle „	54
„ „ Swine „	22

LIST OF JURORS

Drawn During the Year Ending December 31, 1894.

February,	Levi L. Nichols,	Supreme Jud'l Court.
March 20,	Charles C. Coolidge,	Grand Juror.
„ 26,	Willie F. Thayer,	Superior Court.
April 24,	Alfred Beal,	„ „
Aug. 30,	Morton S. Crehore,	„ „
Sept. 20,	Ezekiel L. James,	„ „
Dec. 1,	Henry E. Brennock,	„ „
„ 27,	George D. Silsbee,	„ „

LIST OF JURORS

To be Revised and Accepted by the Town at the Annual Meeting to be held March 4, 1895.

Edwin Bates,	Thomas W. Doyle,
Thomas D. Blossom,	John M. Damon,
Herbert O. Beal,	Edward E. Ellms,
Charles F. Bennett,	Leander W. Groce,
Isaac W. Beal,	Warren S. Gammons,
Franklin Beal,	John W. Hunt,
Robert L. Curtis,	George O. Higgins,

Joseph D. Hutchinson,
Frederic G. James,
Thomas F. Kinsley,
George W. Kimball,
Waldo C. Locke,
Thomas Lincoln,
Elmer W. Lewis,
George S. Munroe,
Henry L. McMahon,
George W. Pratt,
Charles J. Priest,
John L. Pratt,
C. James Pratt,
William H. Reed,
John Roche, Jr.,
Thomas A. Rich,
William W. Studley,
Israel N. Small,
Israel C. Vinal,
Wallace Willcutt,
Samuel L. Williams,
Levi L. Worrick.

REPORT

OF THE

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1894.

Paid George W. Tinkham, salary	$575.00
„ „ „ sundry bills paid	33.33
Thomas Roche, smithing	32.35
William W. Studley, labor	32.70
Arthur Studley, labor	10.00
E. E. Wentworth, smithing	18.40
Philander Bates, shoes	16.05
C. F. Nichols, groceries	105.85
H. L. Brown, „	195.99
Massachusetts Ploughman	2.00
Joseph St. John, groceries	68.99
Cohasset Clothing Co.	30.70
Harry W. Souther, Boston Globe	6.00
Benjamin F. Evans, undertaker	30.00
William F. Thayer & Son, meat	158.38
Lincoln Bros., coal	68.16
Dr. O. H. Howe, medical attendance	2.00
D. C. B. Bridgham, medical attendance	6.50
Gross & Nichols, grain and groceries	392.48
Allen C. Bates, tin ware, etc.	40.51
Frank W. Browne, medicine	46.45
William O. Souther, ice	24.39
M. B. Stetson & Co., grain and groceries	298.28
Bourne & Nickerson, meat	97.26
Frances H. Nichols, dry goods	48.07
A. E. Tilden, horse hire	27.00
D. P. Sylvester, fish, etc.	115.24
C. F. Tilden, smithing	44.45
Tower Bros. & Co., lumber, etc.	161.90
William H. Beal, repairing harness, etc.	18.85
C. F. B. Tilden, feed	6.75
Seaverns & Spear, dry goods, etc.	11.25
A. J. Bates, cow	28.00
Joseph Breck & Son, seeds	2.85
J. A. Torrey, soap	2.75
Amount carried forward	$2,758.88

Amount brought forward		$2,758.88
Paid Caleb Beal, mason		7.50
C. R. Keene, plants		5.00
W. W. Thomas, butchering		7.00
William Cuttler, butter		14.22
E. D. Stewart, fowl		7.00
Samuel Nichols, plants		6.30
Charles Williams, veterinary surgeon		5.00
Estate J. Q. A. Lothrop, services		22.50
Philander Bates, services		30.00
Caleb F. Nichols, „		30.00
		$2,893.40

AMOUNT RECEIVED FROM SALES AND INCOME.

Rec'd from A. H. Tower, trustee for J. J. Lothrop		$135.29
„ Elmer E. Bates, milk		143.14
„ J. W. McCormick, milk		29.92
„ „ „ „ pigs		8.00
„ Joseph Butman, „		6.00
„ W. W. Studley, „		16.00
„ George W. Morse, „		7.00
„ Frank Pearson, „		7.00
„ J. F. Silva, „		5.00
„ Manuel Oliver, „		3.50
„ John Hews, „		7.00
„ I. C. Vinal „		4.00
„ Antoine, „		8.00
„ George M. Ennice, wood		6.00
„ Otis V. Barnes, butter		3.50
„ A. S. Howe, cow		24.00
„ J. C. Howe, pigs		6.00
„ Sundry sales from almshouse		26.42
„ Gross & Nichols, eggs		2.00
„ M. B. Stetson, turnips		1.25
„ Bourne & Nickerson, pork, etc.		32.05
„ Manuel Silva, 2d, paid on mortgage		160.00
„ „ „ paid interest		32.50
„ Solomon J. Hayden, military aid		15.00
„ Alsmhouse, removing snow		6.75
„ William F. Thayer & Son, poultry, etc.		15.80
		$711.12

Debit brought forward	$2,893.40	
Credit „ „	711.12	
Almshouse debtor to balance		$2,182.28

The following persons have been inmates of the almshouse during the year 1894: —

Elizabeth Hudson.	William C. Hayden.
Jane B. Lambert.	Solomon J. Hayden.
Augusta Silva.	William F. Harris.
Antone George.	John L. Morey.

John J. Lothrop, boarder.

SUPPORT OF PERSONS IN HOSPITALS.

Paid Taunton Lunatic Hospital: —		
Jane C. White	$169.46	
Joanna Colbrith	169.46	
Paid Worcester Insane Asylum: —		
Elizabeth J. Dady	169.46	
Julia Macomber	169.47	
Paid State of Massachusetts: —		
George B. Williams	146.00	
		$823.85

PARTIAL SUPPORT OF PERSONS OUTSIDE OF ALMSHOUSE.

John E. Groce.

Paid orders on Treasurer		$105.00

Southward Pratt.

Paid orders on Treasurer	$96.00	
J. Q. A. Lothrop, agent, rent	24.00	
Caleb Lothrop, „ „	24.00	
		$144.00

Sabra W. Clark.

Paid orders on Treasurer	$96.00	
F. W. Browne, medicine	.85	
		$96.85

Mary McGrath and child.

Paid orders on Treasurer	$60.00	
P. Bates, shoes, etc.	8.05	
Cohasset Clothing Co.	2.50	
Dr. C. B. Bridgham, medical attendance	8.00	
		$78.55

Emma Barnes and family.

Paid orders on Treasurer	$60.00	
Tower Bros. & Co.	3.75	
P. Bates, boots	2.55	
Dr. C. B. Bridgham, medical attendance	19.00	
		$85.30

Henry L. Bates and family.

Paid	John S. Brooks, groceries	$51.00	
	Chute & Chapin, „	10.00	
	J. Murrill, rent	28.00	
	P. Bates, boots	7.60	
	Cohasset Clothing Co.	4.50	
	Lincoln Bros., coal	8.50	
			$109.60

Joseph E. Smith and family.

Paid	Lot W. Bates, rent	$40.00	
	H. L. Brown, groceries	200.94	
	P. Bates, boots	7.10	
	Cohasset Clothing Co.	12.05	
	Dr. C. B. Bridgham, medical attendance	11.50	
	Frank W. Browne, medicine	1.50	
	Tower Bros. & Co., coal	24.56	
			$297.65

Rebecca Litchfield.

Paid	Thomas W. Whitcomb, rent	$36.00	
	„ „ „ wood	6.25	
	H. L. Brown, groceries	47.64	
	Lincoln Bros., coal	14.00	
			$103.89

Lois A. Ney and family.

Paid	H. L. Brown, groceries	$97.95	
	Aaron Pratt, rent	48.00	
	Tower Bros. & Co., coal	8.50	
	William F. Thayer & Son, meat	11.00	
			$165.45

Joseph J. Silva.

Paid	Town of Danvers	$50.75	

Mrs. Morris, Mrs. Burbank and child.

Paid	Lot W. Bates, rent	$40.00	
	H. L. Brown, groceries	145.52	
	Dr. O. Howe, medical attendance	45.00	
	Edwin Bates, wood	23.25	
	Tower Bros. & Co., coal	25.00	
	Order on Treasurer	15.00	
	Bourne & Nickerson	26.96	
	Samuel E. Pratt	17.40	
			$338.17

George L. Litchfield.

Paid	P. Bates, boots	$3.30	
	Cohasset Clothing Co.	4.30	
			$7.60

Mary Martin.

Paid	John J. Ferriera, rent	$40.00	
	Tower Bros. & Co., coal, '93 & '94	25.50	
	C. F. Nichols, groceries	6.53	
	P. Bates, boots	2.20	
	Bourne & Nickerson	8.96	
	Dr. O. H. Howe, medical attendance	2.00	
			$85.19

Amiel Studley.

Paid	order on Treasurer	$20.00

James W. Holland and family.

Paid	order on Treasurer	$15.00	
	Tower Bros. & Co., coal	11.00	
			$26.00

Mabel Ainslie.

Paid	City of Boston	$156.43

Carrie E. Litchfield and child.

Paid	orders on Treasurer	$47.00

William H. Litchfield and family.

Paid	H. E. Webb, groceries	$102.00	
	Seaverns & Spear, groceries	72.87	
	P. Bates, boots	16.20	
	Cohasset Clothing Co.	8.00	
	Lincoln Bros., wood and coal	64.31	
	Dr. O. H. Howe, medical attendance	11.25	
	Thomas P. Ward, meat	11.25	
			$285.88

Rose Andrews and Mary I. Violante.

Paid	H. L. Brown, groceries	$102.56

James Mullen.

Paid	Joseph St. John, supplies	$42.90	
	Samuel E. Pratt, milk	7.40	
			$50.30

Mary Desmond.

Paid	J. Q. A. Lothrop, agent	$36.00	
	Caleb Lothrop, „	36.00	
			$72.00

Antone Vargus and family.

Paid Lincoln Bros., coal		$24.46

Charles H. Litchfield.

Paid Dr. O. H. Howe, medical attendance		$11.00

Caroline Silva.

Paid Dr. C. B. Bridgham, medical attendance		$17.00

Mrs. Frank Antone.

Paid Dr. C. B. Bridgham, medical attendance	$10.50	
Frank W. Browne, medicine	2.75	
		$13.25

Manuel Alameda and family.

Paid P. Bates, boots	$1.20	
Cohasset Clothing Co.	4.50	
		$5.70

Mary Kent.

Paid City of Boston		$7.20

Anthony J. Anderson.

Paid City of Boston		$2.00

Mary G. Bandura.

Paid City of Boston		$1.27

Frank J. Pratt.

Paid City of Boston		$2.00

Mrs. Patrick Lyons.

Paid Joseph St. John, groceries	$8.47	
Lincoln Bros., coal and wood	10.67	
P. Bates, boots and rubbers	2.45	
		$21.59

Mrs. Bandura.

Paid Dr. C. B. Bridgham, medical attendance		$7.00

Abner N. Bates.

Paid H. L. Brown, groceries	$5.00	
P. Bates, boots and rubbers	4.10	
Tower Bros. & Co., coal	4.00	
		$13.10

Thomas Roche and family.

Paid Gross & Nichols		$18.02

Overseers' Services.

Estate J. Q. A. Lothrop, services and expenses	$29.40	
Philander Bates, services and expenses	45.00	
Caleb F. Nichols, „ „ „	50.00	
		$124.40

AMOUNT TO BE REIMBURSED TO THE TOWN.

Town of Weymouth	$50.30	
„ „ Hingham	85.30	
City of Boston	102.56	
Joseph S. Enos, interest	37.20	
Joseph E. Gracia, „	6.00	
Family of Wm. H. Litchfield, balance	214.00	
		$495.36
Paid Almshouse account	$2,893.40	
Outdoor relief	3,519.97	
		$6,413.37
Amount of credit, Almshouse	$711.12	
„ „ „ Outdoor	495.36	
		$1,206.48
Amount of Almshouse and Outdoor expense	$6,413.37	
„ „ „ „ „ credit	1,206.48	
Total cost of Poor		$5,206.89

Respectfully submitted,

PHILANDER BATES,
CALEB F. NICHOLS,
Overseers of Poor of Cohasset.

REPORT

OF

THE TOWN TREASURER,

TOGETHER WITH

THE REPORTS OF THE LIBRARIAN AND TREASURER
OF THE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

AND THE

REPORT OF THE AUDITOR.

Dr. TOWN OF COHASSET, in account

1894–1895.

To paid Selectmen's orders as drawn	$29,809.88
State and Military Aid	742.00
Abatement of Taxes	341.31
School Appropriation	12,500.00
Additional Sums for School Account	329.59
Commonwealth of Massachusetts Tax, 1894	4,380.00
County of Norfolk Tax, 1894	5,019.87
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, ¼ Liquor License	28.38
„ by E. H. Gay. Note due 1894	3,400.00
Osgood Schoolhouse. Note due 1894	3,000.00
Charles P. Bourne, Demand Note	1,000.00
Cohasset Savings Bank, Hired Money 1894	20,500.00
The Boston National Bank, Hired Money 1894	15,000.00
Interest on Town's Notes	3,442.32
	$99,493.35
Balance in Treasury, to credit new account	7,620.92
	$107,114.27

COHASSET, January, 1895.

with ABRAHAM H. TOWER, Treasurer. Cr.

1894–1895.

By Balance in Treasury from former account	$7,160.14
Corporation Tax, 1893, additional	1,553.20
Corporation Tax, 1894	13,821.65
National Bank Tax, 1894	2,197.88
State and Military Aid, 1894	537.00
Norfolk County Dog Licenses, 1893	225.15
„ „ Fines, etc	5.00
Town of Hingham account, 1893	60.00
„ „ schooling, 1894	61.50
Town of Weymouth account, 1893	14.06
Town of Provincetown account, 1893	4.25
City of Boston account, 1892	48.86
William Mulvey account, 1893	45.00
Louis N. Lincoln income, Town Hall	46.50
Lincoln and Beal, auctioneer's licenses	4.00
East Norfolk District Court, fines, fees, etc.	76.97
Charles H. Quinn, license fifth class	112.50
Frank W. Browne, license sixth class	1.00
Manuel Sylvia, 2d, on account note	160.00
„ „ interest on same	32.50
Joseph E. Grassia, interest on note	6.00
Joseph S. Enos, interest on note	18.60
Interest on deposits and delinquent taxes	188.32
Interest on Ripley Fund, 1894	40.40
Allen C. Bates, plumber's licenses	2.50
Three slaughter licenses	3.00
Fireman's Order, 1893, unpaid	4.00
M. B. Stetson & Co., almshouse	1.25
Gross & Nichols, almshouse	2.00
Almshouse team	6.75
Elmer E. Bates, almshouse	12.28
William F. Thayer & Son, almshouse	15.80
Bourne & Nickerson, almshouse	32.05
George W. Tinkham, almshouse	298.20
J. J. Lothrop, board, by A. H. Tower, Trustee	135.29
Solomon J. Hayden, board	15.00
Hingham Mutual Fire Insurance Co., dividend	6.30
Cohasset Savings Bank, hired money, 1894	20,500.00
The Boston National Bank, hired money, 1894	20,000.00
Assessors' tax list, 1894	39,659.37
	$107,114.27

ABRAHAM H. TOWER,
Treasurer.

Dr. COHASSET FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY in account with A. H. TOWER, Treasurer. Cr.

1894–1895.		1894–1895.	
To paid Estes & Lauriat for books, etc.	$121.50	By balance from previous account	$11.37
William H. Guild & Co., subscription	12.95	Town's appropriation, 1894	700.00
Cohasset Electric Co., lights	60.00	Ladies' Charitable Society, rent	25.00
William E. Crocker, repairs	2.50	Librarian's receipts for fines, etc.	19.47
William H. H. Hancock, repairs clock	.75		
Lincoln Brothers, coal	14.04		
Tower Bros. & Co., wood and coal	61.25		
Lot W. Bates, Janitor	88.50		
Sarah B. Collier, Librarian	350.00		
Expenditures by Librarian	7.60		
Balance carried to credit new account	36.75		
	$755.84		$755.84

A. H. TOWER, *Treasurer.*

COHASSET, January, 1895.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

COHASSET FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

The library opened every library day during the year with the exception of six days, four of which were holidays.

The number of books and magazines issued was 7,631; the largest delivery being on December 1, of 118, and the smallest on May 1, of 8.

Number of books added the past year: by donation 10 volumes; by purchase, 26 volumes, and one periodical; by binding, 31 volumes; officers of government, 50 volumes and pamphlets. Entire number, including pamphlets, 5,361.

Gifts of books have been received from Mrs. A. H. Tower, Mr. Alexander Williams, State and Government.

Classification of reading the past year: —

History and Biography	245
Travels and Geography	187
Fiction	5,527
Literature and Poetry	125
Science and Art	50
Agriculture	52
Religion	27
Magazines	1,418
	7,631

SARAH B. COLLIER, *Librarian.*

COHASSET, January, 1895.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

I have examined the accounts of the Selectmen, Treasurer, Superintendent of Streets, Treasurer of School Committee, Treasurer of Public Library and Fire Engineers, and find them correctly cast, and with the proper vouchers and warrants.

The receipts and expenditures for the year were as follows: —

Balance in Town Treasury from 1893	$7,160.14	
Sundry receipts	19,794.76	
Hired money	40,500.00	
Tax List, 1894	39,659.37	
		$107,114.27

Amount of Selectmen's orders drawn on the Treasurer	$52,793.06	
Sundry payments by Treasurer	7,747.97	
Paid hired money	35,500.00	
Paid interest on notes	3,452.32	
Balance in cash and unpaid taxes	7,620.92	
		$107,114.27

HARRY W. SOUTHER, *Auditor.*

COHASSET, January 22, 1895.

REPORT

OF

THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

FOR THE YEAR 1894.

The School Committee of the Town of Cohasset respectfully submit their annual report of the condition of the schools, together with the report of the Superintendent of Schools, in which is embraced the reports of the special teachers in drawing and music.

The latter reports cover so fully the actual work done in the schools that there only remains for the Committee to state that the school year has been without special incident. The buildings are in good condition and the usual appropriation for repairs will serve to keep them so. The work in all the schools has gone on without friction. One thing which has tended perhaps more than anything else to bring about this result has been the fact that there have been practically no changes in the teaching force.

Miss Gertrude M. Gleason, who, in order to spend a year at Radcliffe College in higher studies, gave up her position as assistant teacher in the High School, which position was very satisfactorily filled in her absence by Miss Caroline T. Hardwick, took her old position at the beginning of the fall term.

Miss Martha P. Bates, who in the fall of 1893 was elected assistant teacher in the High School, and who on account of ill-health was obliged to take a year's vacation, your Committee have assigned to her old position in the fourth grade of the Grammar School, at the same salary she would have received as assistant in the High School — five hundred dollars. The Committee have for a long time felt that the qualifications requisite for the successful teaching and control of scholars of the age of those in this grade should command better remuneration than is given to teachers in the lower grade, and have therefore made this advance in the salary of this position.

A glance at the following table will show the condition of affairs at the Osgood School at the opening of the school year in September : —

Teacher's Room.	Grade.	No. of Scholars.	Seating Capacity.
Miss Fox . . .	1st	27	42
Miss Collier . . .	2d	28	47
Miss Bates . . .	3d and 4th	47	48
Miss Souther . . .	5th and 6th	51	56
Miss Nichols . . .	6th and 7th	48	48
Miss Bates . . .	7th and 8th	43	42

It will be seen from the above that in the rooms where the scholars of but one grade or year are seated the accommodations are ample and the work is conducted under the most favorable conditions. In the rooms containing more than one grade the conditions under which the work is carried on are unfavorable. The overcrowding of the rooms calls on the ventilating system for more work than it was calculated to perform, and the teacher's usefulness in class work is often impaired by the necessity of keeping in order the other occupants of the room. The advantages of having but one grade to a room are so obvious that they do not need enumeration here. Until this result is brought about the work in the Osgood School will partake more or less of the character of a mixed school, which this central school building was intended to displace.

It seems as if in a few years, if we have but a normal increase in the school population, that a four-room building to contain the primary grades would be a necessity.

The Committee estimate that for the support of schools the coming year there will be required for

Teachers', Superintendent's, and Janitors' Salaries	$9,000
Conveying	1,850
Supplies	600
Fuel	700
Repairs and Incidentals	600
Total	$12,750

For the past two years, in order to bring the Christmas and New Year holidays into the winter vacation, an extra week was added to the fall term, the pay for which was taken out of the appropriation for the succeeding year. In the above estimate the salaries for this extra week are included, increasing the amount above what it naturally would be $175.

Respectfully submitted,

E. P. Collier, *Chairman.*
C. Lothrop, *Secretary.*
J. S. Bigelow.
A. A. Lawrence.
Louis T. Cushing.
Cyrus H. Bates.

TOWN OF COHASSET, in account with THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

1894. Paid	*Debit.*		
Superintendent of Schools			$600.00
	TEACHERS.		
Osgood School (High), C. F. Jacobs, Principal		$1,500.00	
„ „ Miss Carrie T. Hardwick, Assistant		312.50	
„ „ Miss Gertrude M. Gleason, Assistant		187.50	
„ „ Miss Annie N. Keene, Assistant		500.00	
„ 8th grade, Miss Charlotte Hood		250.00	
„ „ Miss Martha P. Bates		187.50	
„ 7th grade, Miss Harriet J. Nichols		400.00	
„ 5th and 6th grades, Miss Annie A. Souther		400.00	
„ 3d and 4th grades, Miss Elizabeth C. Bates		400.00	
„ 2d grade, Miss Priscilla L. Collier		400.00	
„ 1st grade, Miss Sarah E. Fox		400.00	
„ Gen'l assistant, Miss Myra L. Beal		380.00	
No. Primary School, Miss Emma Nichols		30.00	
„ „ Miss Susannah L. Stoddard		370.00	
Jerusalem „ Miss Annie Fox		400.00	
Beechwood „ Miss Adelaide L. Stevens		400.00	
King Street „ Miss Mary E. Towne		400.00	
			$6,917.50
	SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC.		
A. E. Bradford		$325.00	
			$325.00
	SPECIAL TEACHER OF DRAWING.		
Miss M. Angeline Pearson		$300.00	
			$300.00
	JANITORS.		
Osgood School, Lot W. Bates		$600.00	
No. Primary, Thomas Keefe		41.00	
Jerusalem, Miss Annie Fox		30.00	
Beechwood, A. Bradford Litchfield		40.00	
King Street, Miss Mary James		30.00	
			$741.00

CLEANING.

Beechwood,	J. W. Bates, vaults	$3.00	
„	A. B. Litchfield, room	12.00	
No. Primary,	Mrs. Stephen Reilly, room	10.00	
			$25.00

FUEL.

Osgood School,	George F. Welch, coal and wood	$267.51	
„	Tower Bros. & Co., coal and wood	182.00	
No. Primary,	„ „ „ „ „	21.45	
King Street,	„ „ „ „ „	24.31	
Beechwood,	„ „ „ „ „	32.00	
Jerusalem,	„ „ „ „ „	14.50	
			$541.77

REPAIRS, SUPPLIES, ETC.

Osgood School,	Miss Frances H. Nichols, ribbon, etc.	$1.29	
„	Gross & Nichols, supplies	12.33	
„	Allen C. Bates, heater	350.00	
„	„ „ repairs and supplies	34.78	
„	Cohasset Electric Co., lighting	60.00	
„	Israel C. Vinal, painting	4.10	
„	W. E. Crocker, carpentering	8.25	
„	Miss Annie N. Keene, supplies	1.40	
„	W. W. Wade, tuning piano	5.00	
„	Estate E. L. Avery, electrical and physical apparatus	150.00	
„	Tower Bros. & Co., varnish, lumber, etc.	31.46	
„	Charles F. Tilden, repairs	.75	
			$659.36
No. Primary,	Gross & Nichols, supplies	$0.10	
„	John Roche, Jr., carpentering	9.50	
„	Allen C. Bates, repairs	3.40	
„	Tower Bros. & Co., outside windows	7.00	
„	Ziba C. Small, painting and whitening	12.00	
			$32.00
Beechwood,	A. Bradford Litchfield, repairs	$3.99	
„	Allen C. Bates, funnel	4.90	
„	Mrs. C. H. Wood, use of well	1.00	
			$9.89
King Street,	Fred G. James, repairs and cotton	$0.74	
„	Arthur S. Bates, painting	8.75	
„	Allen C. Bates, stove and paint	16.00	
„	S. H. Stoughton, masoning	9.25	
„	Tower Bros. & Co., putty	.30	
„	Charles F. Tilden, repairing pump	1.00	
			$36.04
Jerusalem,	Allen C. Bates, keys	$1.00	
„	C. E. West, supplies	3.70	
„	H. O. Beal, repairs	63.00	
			$67.70
			$804.99

CONVEYING PUPILS.

No. Cohasset District,	New York, New Haven & Hartford R. R. Co.		$205.45	
„	Franklin Beal,	Jan. Feb. and March	75.00	
Jerusalem Road District,	C. F. B. Tilden,	Jan. Feb. and March	60.00	
North End „	C. F. B. Tilden,	Jan. Feb. and March	180.00	
King Street „	C. F. B. Tilden,	Jan. Feb. and March	70.00	
Beechwood „	A. E. Tilden		947.87	
South End „	„		301.00	
				$1,839.32

BOOKS AND STATIONERY.

The American Book Co.	$92.34	
N. L. Wilson	5.00	
D. C. Heath & Co.	51.51	
Houghton, Mifflin & Co.	6.12	
Boston School Supply Co.	38.73	
Silver, Burdett & Co.	6.84	
Wadsworth, Howland & Co.	16.38	
J. L. Hammett	128.56	
Carl Schœnhof	11.07	
George S. Perry & Co.	49.56	
Ginn & Company	13.13	
S. C. Griggs & Co.	14.40	
Beal Publishing Co.	5.00	
Perry Mason & Co.	3.50	
Willard Small	11.93	
Franklin Educational Co.	11.14	
Leach, Shewell & Sanborn	12.00	
Elmer L. Curtiss	3.00	
White–Smith Music Publishing Co.	7.20	
Educational Publishing Co.	3.60	
University Publishing Co.	13.50	
Thompson, Brown & Co.	2.40	
Town of Hingham	24.75	
		$531.66

MISCELLANEOUS.

A. T. Bliss & Co., printing	$33.50	
Alfred Mudge & Son, printing	7.25	
E. P. Collier, secretary to March 1, 1894	8.00	
J. J. Bates, expressing	20.35	
Lot W. Bates, truant officer	25.00	
A. H. Prouty, „ „ to March 1, 1894	7.00	
A. B. Litchfield, „ „	10.00	
Amount carried forward	$111.10	

Amount brought forward	$111.10	
C. F. B. Tilden, freight and carting	6.38	
E. W. Bates, extra lights at Town Hall	6.48	
Boston Bank Note and Lithographing Co., diplomas	24.00	
Mary R. Cushing, bouquets	6.00	
H. W. Kibbe, filling diplomas	3.00	
L. N. Lincoln, use of Town Hall	5.00	
E. P. Collier, Acting Treasurer three months	12.50	
C. Lothrop, Treasurer nine months	37.50	
„ Secretary „ „	17.00	
„ postage	1.82	
		$230.78

EVENING SCHOOL.

C. F. Jacobs, teaching	$36.00	
Lot W. Bates, „	18.00	
„ „ janitor	4.00	
		$58.00

RECAPITULATION

Superintendent of Schools	$600.00	
Teachers	6,917.50	
Supervisor of Music	325.00	
Special Teacher of Drawing	300.00	
Janitors	741.00	
Cleaning	25.00	
Fuel	541.77	
Repairs, Supplies, etc.	804.99	
Conveying Pupils	1,839.32	
Books and Stationery	531.66	
Miscellaneous	230.78	
Evening School	58.00	
Balance unexpended	.70	
		$12,915.72

Credit.

Balance from last year	$79.50	
Amount of School Appropriation	12,500.00	
„ „ Dog Licenses	225.15	
Interest from Ripley Fund	42.94	
Received from Town of Hingham for Schooling of Children	61.50	
Received for Supplies sold	6.63	
		$12,915.72

CALEB LOTHROP,
Treasurer of School Committee.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

Gentlemen of the Committee:—

In presenting this report I feel that I can speak with more confidence than I did in my report of a year ago. After learning the conditions and needs of our schools, I felt that some changes might be made with advantage. These have been inaugurated and are working successfully and, I believe, will improve the tone of the schools.

Course of Study.

A year ago, as a part of the *annual report*, I presented an outline for a course in *geography*. During the spring I became convinced that additional changes should be made in the course of study then in use; so, upon order from your honorable board, with the assistance of a sub-committee, I prepared and had printed a new course for all the grades. Few realize the amount of labor necessary to prepare such a course and the value of it to the teachers. It is not intended to bind the teachers, but it is to guide them. It also serves to maintain a uniformity in the work of the different schools that would otherwise be lacking. It is not intended to suggest everything that should be taught, but to give an idea of the amount and of the order, while leaving the method of teaching largely to be developed in accordance with the needs of the particular school. It is of additional value to the High School, as those colleges that admit pupils upon certificate demand a copy of the course of study. If this is wanting, they insist upon an examination.

It is premature to speak of the effect of the course adopted, but I am convinced from what I can now see that the result will be beneficial. The most important changes it may be well to note. In *reading* much attention is given to phonics, as the *word* or *sentence* methods without phonics leave the pupil dependent. Phonics give him some power in analyzing words by sounds and render it possible for him to pronounce new words. They do not aid in understanding a written page; they do not help in getting additional thoughts. I am pleased to hear from some of our teachers, who looked with suspicion upon the change, that they believe it a good one.

Another and more important change — one, however, that has not been fully carried out — is the substitution of works of good literature for the scrappy and often inferior matter of the old-fashioned reading book. When the plan is carried out our pupils will have *Evangeline*, *The Lady of the Lake*, *Ivanhoe*, *The Spy*, and works of kindred worth to read instead of short selections from and about these that they now have. I have added a list of works that I shall supply when new reading material is needed (see Appendix A).

Memorizing choice selections of poetry and prose is made a prominent feature in connection with our reading.

Spelling as a separate study has been given more time.

Language and *nature study*, while closely related in teaching, have been separated in the course. More time has been given in the upper grades to grammar. The principle that guided me in arranging the course in nature study was that the child should be led to use his powers of observation rather than to acquire a fund of facts.

In *arithmetic* many of the more difficult processes have been omitted and some of the simpler processes in *algebra* added. It is intended that the algebra shall be an abstract expression of the arithmetic studied. The omissions in arithmetic are the more difficult problems in *denominate numbers*, the problems in *interest* other than finding the interest and amount, problems in *stocks* and *bonds*, finding the face of a note when the proceeds are given, all but the simplest problems involving *square root*, problems in mensuration except rectangles, triangles, and circles, and solids based upon them, *cube root*, *partial payments*, and *averaging accounts*. More attention is given to fractions, measurements of land, fences, rooms, walls, cisterns, bins, etc., and to business arithmetic.

In *history* the new course calls for attention to home history, myths, and the history of Greece and Rome in the lower grades without a textbook. United States history begins in the sixth grade and continues through the eighth grade, in which some of the fundamental facts of our government are considered. *Physiology* has not been materially changed. The *Swedish gymnastics* are being taught. The High School course remains the same as in former years.

Departmental Method.

A second change that requires attention is the introduction of the *department method* of teaching. There are several methods of placing teachers over pupils, all of which have some advantages and some disadvantages. It is common in America in the primary and the grammar schools for a teacher to have charge of one room, teaching all the subjects required. The pupils remain in a room for one or two years under the exclusive care of a single teacher. This plan is strong on the side of discipline, if the teacher happens to be a strong disciplinarian. Unfortunate indeed is a school if the teacher is weak. Again, by this plan the teacher feels a responsibility for the *child*, and learns his individualities and deals with him not according to the *type* pupil but according to the *particular*. Its chief disadvantage is that the teacher has to give her attention to so many subjects that it is hardly possible for her to become more than ordinarily proficient in any. She sees, moreover, but a part of the course in any branch of study.

In some parts of Germany it is the custom to promote the teacher

with the class. This plan is stronger than the first in all the points mentioned, and is perhaps its logical extreme. It is additionally strong in that the teacher knows what the pupil should have acquired as a result of past teaching, and little or no time is lost in trying to discover what has been learned.

The third method is practised in all our high schools and colleges, in most of our academies and private schools, in several foreign countries, and to a limited extent in the grammar schools of our own country. It is to give a teacher one subject, or at times two or three, throughout all the grades of the school. This method gives the teacher a complete view of the branch she teaches and allows her to concentrate her attention during her hours of study and preparation. As a result she is better equipped, and naturally the pupils get the benefit of her increased knowledge and power. There are dangers. A teacher weak in discipline affects every room into which she goes, and the discipline of the entire building is rendered more difficult. The remedy for this, however, is not the abandonment of the system but a stronger teacher. There is a danger also of the pupils feeling responsible to no particular teacher, and of the teacher feeling responsible for the behavior of no particular class of pupils.

The problem that presented itself to us was to get the advantages of the *departmental method* and yet to avoid its most serious disadvantages. The first thing decided upon was that the *child* should be thought of. So at once the first four years of school were considered as unfit for this plan. In the remaining grades below the High School it was decided that the teacher should be in one room at least *half the time*, that she should consider that her room and its pupils hers, she to be responsible for them and they responsible to her. This plan has been in operation at the *Osgood School* since September and is working well.

Teachers' Meetings.

During the past year I have held seven general meetings at which the following subjects have been considered: *School Regulations, Phonics and Their Use in Reading, General Topics, Habits, Dr. Rice's Book "The Public School System of the United States," Geography*, and *The School Program*. Superintendent Sanderson, of the Bridgewater schools, addressed the teachers upon *The Use of Textbooks*. I also have held one grade meeting of the primary teachers and a special meeting of the *departmental* teachers to arrange a program of work. I have taught several half-days to supply a place when the teacher was absent or to allow a teacher to visit some particular school to which I had sent her.

Teachers.

Our teachers are wide awake to the needs of the schools. I think the town may congratulate itself upon having an earnest and efficient

body of teachers. I feel especially pleased with the spirit they have shown; for while they have looked doubtfully upon some of the changes recommended, they have invariably entered into the work with a will that speaks well for their loyalty.

There have been a few changes in our corps. Miss Carrie Hardwick, who, during the leave of absence granted Miss Mattie P. Bates, taught in the High School, decided not to return, although her work was such that I felt I could recommend her as a regular teacher for the opening that occurred at the end of the school year. Miss Hood left the Osgood School in June, and the place thus made vacant was filled by Miss Gertrude M. Gleason, of Abington. Miss Gleason had taught in the Osgood School before, leaving us to take an extra year at college. We should consider ourselves fortunate to be able to secure her services again.

Visits.

I have made 169 regular visits to the schools during the year, besides many short calls of a moment's duration only. We have but few visits from the parents. If the parents realized the value of frequent visits to the schools, however short, they would be seen in the schoolroom more frequently. Teachers are always desirous of having parents come into the rooms, that they may become acquainted with them and show them the work as actually carried on during the school day. If the teachers and parents knew each other better and understood each other's aims and methods more fully, many misunderstandings would be avoided and the influence upon the children and the school would be most beneficial. The homes of the town can do more for the improvement of our schools than the combined efforts of committee and teachers. If the parents would see that school duties were faithfully attended to, that attendance was regular and punctual, and that behavior at school was all that was demanded at home, the efficacy of the schools would be greatly increased. Parents at times thoughtlessly allow children to refer to their teachers in opprobrious terms, laugh at the recital of schoolroom pranks, and encourage a spirit of false independence, not realizing the injury done both to the individual pupil and to the entire school, to say nothing of the difficulties that they add to the teacher's already arduous task.

Schoolhouses.

The buildings are in good condition and require but few repairs. King-street and Beechwoods schools need some small repairs. The Osgood School is crowded, and some steps must soon be taken to relieve it, if the present conditions continue. Another teacher is needed now, but there is not a room for another class.

The reports of the directors of *drawing* and *music*, with matters of attendance, etc., will be found in the appendices of this report.

Respectfully submitted,

ELMER L. CURTISS.

REPORT OF TEACHER OF MUSIC.

To the Superintendent of Schools : —

I have given in previous reports an outline of the course of study in music and have spoken of the conditions under which it is pursued in the schools and of the methods employed in teaching it. Music has now become established as a regular study, and we know that if the pupils apply themselves to the work of learning to sing, there is no question but that they will succeed.

There is very little time in our schools for individual work in music, and this makes it possible for some pupils, if they are so disposed, to get along without learning to depend upon themselves.

Nearly all the pupils who pass through all the grades of our schools do learn to sing at sight. Some will become more proficient than others, but this is true regarding every study.

Each class has received daily instruction and drill in singing and music reading under the direction of the regular teacher in addition to the lessons given by myself. The time allowed for singing has been cut down in each class to one hour per week, and, of course, not so much can be accomplished as in the longer time used in the past. Yet good progress is being made in all grades and every effort will be made to maintain the standard reached. I trust that in the future as in the past each added year will bring some improvement in this department of the school work.

A. E. BRADFORD.

REPORT OF TEACHER OF DRAWING.

To the Superintendent of Schools : —

In June a second exhibition of the pupils' work in drawing was arranged in the Osgood School, that of the high and outlying schools in the hall and office, and that of the primary and grammar schools in their respective rooms. This exhibition showed a gratifying improvement over the first, both in the amount and quality of the work accomplished, no more time having been devoted to the study than in the previous year.

In addition to the subjects taken during the first year, a beginning was made in original design. Some of the designs were worked out in color, illustrating the harmonies studied. In the higher grades studies were made in light and shade, in pencil and charcoal, and some good results were obtained. Many of the pupils have provided themselves with portfolios in which to keep their drawings.

That the interest in the drawing does not abate is shown by the increasing number of sketch books ordered by the pupils this fall over the number required last year. It is gratifying to note the

improvement shown in this work, not only in application of principles taught, but in choice of subject and composition as well.

Our plan of work this year remains essentially the same as that of the previous year. Whenever advisable teachers' meetings have been held to explain outlines and consider methods. At one of our meetings, held in the early spring, Mr. Bailey was present and addressed the teachers on nature study and design. His talk was most helpful and inspiring.

In carrying forward the work both supervisor and teachers are working together to strengthen the weak places and make the study one of increasing pleasure and value in the education of our pupils.

Respectfully submitted,

M. ANGELINE PEARSON,
Director of Drawing.

APPENDIX.

C.

READING BOOKS.

Grade I. — Blackboard, Chart, First Readers.

Grade II. — First Readers, Second Readers.

Grade III. — Second Readers, *Æsop's Fables*, *Fables and Folk Stories*.

INFORMATION. *Aunt Martha's Cupboard*, Johonot's *Cats and Dogs*, Wright's *Nature Readers*, *No.* 1.

Grade IV. — Third Readers, Burnett's *Little Lord Fauntleroy*, Wiggin's *Birds' Christmas Carol*, Sewell's *Black Beauty*.

INFORMATION. King's *Geographical Reader*, *No.* 1, Dunton's *Stories of our Country*.

Grade V. — Third Readers, Longfellow's *Hiawatha*, Anderson's *Fairy Tales*.

INFORMATION. Schwatka's *Children of the Cold*, Miller's *Little People of Asia*, Scribner's *Geographical Reader*.

Grade VI. — Short poems from Longfellow, Whittier, Holmes, and Lowell, DeFoe's *Robinson Crusoe*.

INFORMATION. Sewell's *A First History of Greece*, Sewell's *A First History of Rome*, Pratt's *Storyland of Stars*.

Grade VII. — Scott's *Lady of the Lake*, Burroughs' *Birds and Bees*.

SILENT. Lamb's *Tales from Shakespeare*, Hughes' *Tom Brown at Rugby*, Beard's *Boy's or Girl's Handy Book*.

INFORMATION. Wright's *Nature Readers*, *No.* 3, Shaler's *Story of Our Continent*, Thayer's *Ethics of Success*.

Grade VIII. — Longfellow's *Evangeline*, Cooper's *The Spy*.

SILENT. Dickens' *Christmas Carol*, Dana's *Two Years Before the Mast*, Stowe's *Uncle Tom's Cabin*.

INFORMATION. Higginson's *American Explorers*, Rupert's *Geographical Reader*, Smiles' *Character*.

D.

Number of inhabitants to every high school pupil: —	
in State	81.4
in County	61.
in Cohasset	35.4
Cost per pupil; all sums spent for schools are included: —	
in State, year 1892	$28.60
in County, year 1892	36.97
in Cohasset, year 1893	38.19

The additional cost per pupil in Cohasset is due to the fact that we have such a large proportion of high school pupils when compared with the rest of the State. The town is below the average of the State in actual number of pupils compared with total inhabitants.

Number of inhabitants to every pupil in school: —

in State	5.8
in County	5.3
in Cohasset	6.

F.

GRADUATES FROM THE HIGH SCHOOL.

June, 1894.

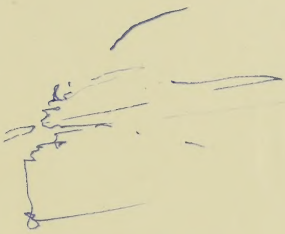
Gertrude Shaw Locke,	In the Quincy Training Class.
Sarah Louise McCormack,	Taking a Post-graduate course.
Elizabeth Catharine Roche,	Home.
Margeret Alice Roche,	Home.
Charles Joseph Enos,	Home.
Samuel Stoddard,	Home.

Whole number of pupils in town, May 1, 1894, five years to fifteen	356
Whole number between eight and fourteen years	251
Whole number in school between five and fifteen	386
Whole number in school between eight and fourteen	228
Number in school over fifteen	43
Number in school under five	0
Total in school	429
Average membership of schools	386.8
Average attendance	351.9
Per cent. of attendance	90

Number in school at close of term, ending December 21, 1894 . . 397

SCHOOLS, TEACHERS, AND STATISTICS.

Schools.	Teachers.	Salary.	Grades.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Per cent. of Attendance.	Tardy.
Osgood	C. F. Jacobs	1,600					
	Gertrude M. Gleason, Caroline Hardwick	500	High	58.1	52.0	89	177
	Annie M. Keene	500					
	Lottie A. Hood, Martha P. Bates	500	8	28.6	26.2	91	103
	Hattie J. Nichols	400	7	35.8	32.0	89	63
	Annie A. Souther	400	6	31.8	28.7	90	70
			5	34.8	31.0	89	43
	Lizzie C. Bates	400	4	24.9	22.2	89	32
			3	23.8	22.0	92	19
	Priscilla L. Collier	400	2	30.2	28.0	92	62
	Sarah E. Fox	400	1	31.4	27.0	86	51
	Myra L. Beal	380					
Jerusalem	Annie Fox	400		18.6	15.9	85	6
North	Susannah L. Stoddard	400		28.6	26.4	92	14
King Street	May Towne	400		11.6	10.4	90	0
Beechwood	Adelaide Stevens	400		28.6	21.1	75	78
	M. A. Pearson	300					
	A. E. Bradford	325					
	Totals	7,675		386.8	351.9	90	718



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